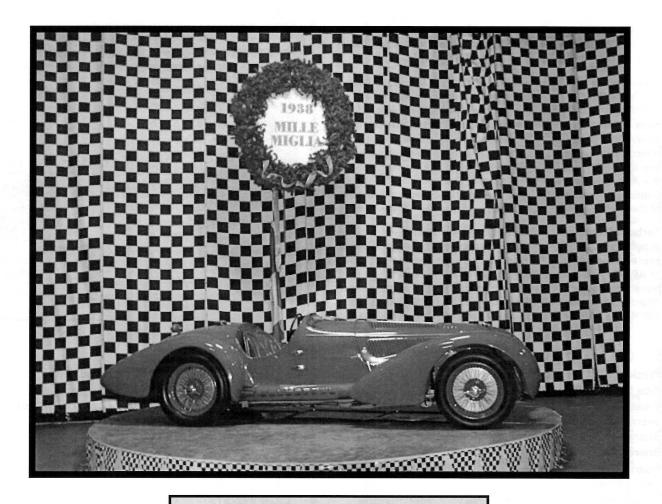


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January 18, 2012 (Wednesday) 7:30 pm General Meeting

NEW LOCATION

High Rocks Restaurant and Lounge 915 E. Arlington Gladstone, Oregon 97027 www.highrocksrestaurant.com

Directions from the south:

I-205 exit 11
left onto 82nd DR .3 mi
left at first signal onto Princeton Ave .1 mi
left onto Arlington St.
High Rocks straight ahead
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February 1 (Wednesday) 7:00 pm Board Meeting Busters

February 15 (Wednesday)
7:30 pm
General Meeting
High Rocks Restaurant and Lounge
915 E. Arlington
Gladstone, Oregon 97027

March 3 (Saturday)
AROO Rally School
9:00 am Registration
10:00 am Class
High Rocks Restaurant and Lounge
\$10 per person
See details opposite

March 4 (Sunday) Rally #1 Big Red's (Sylvan Steakhouse and Saloon) See details opposite June 8-10 (Friday - Sunday)
Summer Tour of the North Cascades
See details, page 9.

July 26-29, 2012 (Thursday –Sunday)
Monte Shelton Northwest Classic Rally
Destination: Mount Bachelor Village Resort, Bend
See article, page 7. nwclassicrally.org

2012 AROO Cup Rally Series To Kick Off In March!

This year's AROO Cup Rally Series begins another exciting year with the annual AROO Rally School on Saturday, March 3rd at High Rocks (the new location for membership meetings). Registration opens at 9:00 a.m. and the class starts at 10:00, so you can catch breakfast and get settled in before instruction starts. Cost is \$10 per person and includes a copy of the General Instructions for 2012. The class will cover basic rallying under the General Instructions, driving to win, navigating to win, and rallying for fun. We'll again have a distinguished faculty of accomplished local rally drivers, navigators and rally masters who will teach you all you need to know to get started or sharpen your skills in this exciting motor sport.

The 2012 Rally Series starts in earnest the next day at Sylvan Steakhouse on Sylvan Hill. Registration starts at 9:00 a.m. with the first car out at 10:01. Expect to be back by lunch for dash plaques and stories. The rest of the schedule remains tentative at press time, but should be the first Sundays of April, May and June, same starting time and place. Rally masters for this year are Simon Levear, Reid Trummel, Roger Dilts, and Yulia Smolyansky.

If you've ever wanted to drive or navigate in the Monte Shelton Northwest Classic, attending the school and participating in the series is the best way to get started. You'll learn how to stay on course and on time in a fun and supportive atmosphere where everyone helps the newcomers. If you love puzzles, precision and Alfa Romeos, you should give it a try.

See you at the outcone!

- Roger Dilts

Roger Dilts President, AROO One More Lap

Yes, I'm back. The Board in its wisdom (given no other takers) elected me president. So I'm taking the wheel for another lap. I hope you'll come along for the ride.

First, I want to thank outgoing Board members Bill Haines, Jon Anderson, and Bill Gillham for their service as Board members this past year. We could not have had such a successful year without them. Bill Haines will continue to keep the Bits coming to your mailbox and Bill Gillham will represent AROO on the national AROC Board. Be sure to thank these gentlemen for the work they do making AROO function.

And I'd like to welcome new Board members Erik Roe and Neil d'Autremont and re-elected members Reid Trummel and Yulia Smolyansky. Erik and Neil have both served on the Board (and as president) in the past and I'm glad to have them return. Reid is continuing his role as Northwest Classic Rally Chair as well as serving on the Board, while Yulia will make sure AROO members are fashionably attired in Alfa gear. The Board selected Steve Meunier to fill out Jon Anderson's term and we are looking forward to the new perspectives he'll bring as a first timer on the Board. The Board elected Ed Slavin to continue as vice president, Cindy Banzer for another term as treasurer, and Mark Carpenter as secretary. I encourage all AROO members to attend Board meetings and participate in the business of the club.

I think we had a fantastic year in 2011 and I look forward to continuing the fun into 2012. We'll be setting the schedule at the January meeting, but as always we'll start off the driving season with the Valentine's Day Tour. There is sure to be an Old Spider Tour, maybe a sedan tour, a summer evening tour, a picnic, and the second running of the President's tour in the fall. The Rally School is set for March 3 with the AROO Cup Rally Series starting the next day and continuing monthly into June. We'll have a couple of track days for sure and monthly membership meetings with interesting and entertaining programs. As always, we'll be presenting the Monte Shelton Northwest Classic Rally, which

may just be the best yet. We'll round out the year with the auction and holiday party. Wow. What a great club!

But while we work hard to put on great events, I have to say that member participation is sometimes disappointing. We have around 240 folks as members (including "shared" single memberships), but, while not everyone lives in the Portland metro area, we typically get fewer than 10% of our members at any one event. Over the course of a year we might get 60 or 70 members participating, counting all events. Board members are concerned about this and we'll be looking at ways to increase member interest and participation in our events. We all think we put on fun, well-run events and wonder what we need to do to get more of our members to enjoy them. If you have any input, feel free to contact any Board member or me to share your thoughts.

So that's it. We've got an experienced Board to run the club's business, dedicated organizers and volunteers to make it all happen and a full slate of fun events, with something for everyone. It's going to be a great year! Come along for the ride.



Marika Roe relaxes on the Old Spider Tour



Lisa McNabb and Connie Dilts discuss touring strategies

Photos by Roger Dilts

Minutes from AROO Board Meeting November 2, 2011

AROO Board Members Present:

Roger Dilts, Ed Slavin, Bill Haines, Patrick Iaboni, Mark Carpenter, Bill Gillham, Jon Anderson, Cindy Banzer, Yulia Smolyansky, and Reid Trummel

AROO Members Present:

Mark Brundage, Neil D'Autremont

Old Business:

<u>September Minutes:</u> Read and approved as written.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> - Cindy Banzer - Thanks to a successful track day we are doing a bit better than budgeted.

<u>Membership Report:</u> - Jon Anderson - 196 as of last month.

Alfa Bits Report: - Bill Haines - November issue should be mailed prior to the general meeting. December will be a Christmas card from the board. The card will be created by Bill Gillham.

Merchandising Report: – Yulia Smolyansky - We have new shirts and caps in stock. Yulia asked for an additional \$200 for some new books. Bill Gillham motion, Ed Slavin second, Motion carried.

Web Page Report: – Mark Brundage, Neil D'Autremont, - Tried to go live with the new format there were a few bugs at the server, should be up soon. Neil showed the board the new word press site on his tablet.

Alfa Bits Editor Replacement: - Roger Dilts - Roger read a letter from Ruth Hall, Ruth will continue to as editor as long as she is willing to do the job.

Northwest Classic Motor Rally Report - 2011 and 2012 - Reid Trummel - Books have been closed for 2011. There is speculation that 2012 will sell out, 90 cars. Registration Fee is \$575.00 for 2012.

Past Events Report:

<u>Track Day</u> – Ed Slavin – October 16: - 79 Cars, Good event, only one bent car, due to broken part. Nice profit for the club, a final figure will be available next month. Working on next years schedule with PIR. - Need to re-fill or replace out of date fire extinguishers.

Astoria Maritime Museum Tour - October 22 & 23 - Jon Anderson and Bill Gillham - A good event especially considering the weather, About 1/2 of the participants did the day tour. The Scavenger hunt was fun, and the roads were wonderful. We especially enjoyed the Humps Cafe and Wet Dog Saloon. The Tour of the Maritime museum was not to be missed if you are interested in boats and history.

New Business:

Events Update:

November Membership Meeting: -

November 16 - AROO Annual Auction and Election of officers: five positions to be elected. Candidates Biographies and a ballot are to be included in October Alfa Bits. Reminders will be posted on Topica.

2012 Auction: to be held at the November

2012 Auction: to be held at the November meeting. Patrick laboni agreed to be auctioneer. Patrick will send Blasts a day or two before meeting.

2012 Holiday Dinner: - December 4 - Cindy Banzer - Bugatti's in West Linn, \$37 per person wine included, AROO will pick up the gratuity. RSVP with Check by Nov. 22 to Cindy Banzer. Details will be printed in the Alfa Bits and included in the Christmas Card.

Other New Business:

2012 Extended Executive Work Session Planned for the New Board: - Roger Dilts

- Discussed the need to spend some quality time working on Club business in more detail than the monthly Board meeting allows. In Particular we need to review the events calendar, the Web site, the future format of Alfa Bits and the general direction of the club for the future. Date Jan. 7, 10 AM at Ed Slavin's office.

AROO Nominations for the AROC Board:

The Board agreed that both Bill Gilham and Cindy Banzer should run for re-election to the AROC Board. Since the AROO board can only nominate one candidate per election, Bill Gilham recommended that Cindy be the AROO Board Nominee and that he would be nominated at-large by obtaining the signatures of 15 AROC members. The board agreed that they would sign the petition and support Bill's candidacy.

New General Meeting Spot for 2012:

- Patrick Iaboni - High Rocks Cafe off 205 -Large meeting room and more privacy. Motion by Mark Carpenter, Second by Bill Gillham. Motion Passed. Patrick Iaboni will arrange and get the word out. Bill Gillham will write a bit for the Hot News in the Alfa Bits.

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner: - Roger Dilts - Time and Place TBA - Cindy Banzer Motion, Mark Carpenter Second, Motion Passed, Cindy will explore options.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 pm:

Respectfully submitted by Bill Gillham, AROO Secretary



Minutes from AROO Board Meeting December 7, 2011

AROO Board Members Present:

Roger Dilts, Ed Slavin, Bill Haines, Patrick Iaboni, Mark Carpenter, Bill Gillham, Cindy Banzer, Yulia Smolyansky, and Reid Trummel

AROO Members Present:

Eric Roe, Steve Meunier, Bill Eastman Old Business:

<u>November Minutes:</u> Read, amended and approved.

Treasurer's Report: - Cindy Banzer - We are doing a bit better than budgeted for. Ken Ivey has the AROO tax return finished. The November Auction netted about \$1335.

Motion by Cindy Banzer - To pay for Ken Ivey's and his wife's Holiday dinner. Seconded by Bill Gillham. Passed unanimously.

Past Events Report:

Holiday Party: - December 4, 2011 - Cindy Banzer - 52 people - great food, great door prizes. A good time was had by all.

<u>Membership Report:</u> - No report - Waiting for new membership chair

Alfa Bits Report: - Bill Haines. Christmas card was a hit. Ruth is working on a January issue.

Merchandising Report: - Yulia Smolyansky
- Ordering new books, looking for a better

Web Page Report: - No report. As of 8:00 pm 12/07/2011 the web site was still not available for viewing.

Northwest Classic Motor Rally Report - 2011 & 2012 - Reid Trummel There is speculation that 2012 will sell out, 31 registered so far. 2012 Extended Executive Work Session Planned for the New Board: - Roger Dilts - To be held on Jan. 7, 2012 at 10 AM in Ed Slavins Office.

AROO Nominations for the AROC Board: Cindy Banzer will be the official AROO Board Nominee and Bill Gillham will run as an atlarge candidate.

New General Meeting Spot for 2012: - High Rocks Cafe off I-205 in Gladstone.

<u>Election to Replace Jon Anderson on the</u>
<u>Board</u> - Steve Meunier will serve the remaining year of Jon's term.

New Business:

Official Results for the Election at the November General Meeting: Roger Dilts, Yulia Smolyansky, Eric Roe, Neil d' Autremont and Reid Trummel. Motion to accept the results made by Roger Dilts Second by Mark Carpenter. - Approved

<u>Election of AROO Officers for 2012:</u> Roger Dilts - President, Ed Slavin - Vice President, Cindy Banzer - Treasurer, Mark Carpenter - Secretary.

<u>Discussion of Liaisons, Calendar, Events and General Meeting Topics:</u> - To be continued at the January Board Meeting and the January Executive Session.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:50 pm:

Respectfully Submitted by Bill Gillham, Retiring AROO Secretary

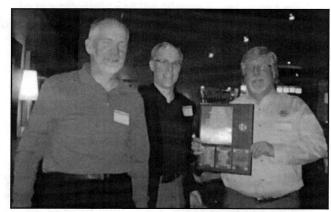
McGill Award Presented to Neil d'Autremont

In 1984 AROO conferred the first McGill Award on its namesakes, Bob and Margaret McGill, to recognize their contributions in creating and sustaining AROO over the years. Since then the award has been presented annually to the member or members whose contributions and achievements have served to promote and perpetuate our club, as selected by the AROO president and the current McGill Award recipient. Although it is awarded annually (except for a gap from 1993 to 1995) it is based on the person's contributions to the club over time. The award is a plaque that is kept for the year by the recipient, whose name is engraved on it along with all the other members who have received the award. Those whose names are on the plaque are listed below.

This year the award goes to someone who belongs on that list alongside the others who have made AROO the great club it is. Neil served on the Board of Directors and as president and skillfully guided us through a very difficult time in our club's history, and he's returning this year to Board service. He has served on the Northwest Classic Rally Committee securing sponsors for the event. Neil hasput on a Valentine's Tour and organized last summer's McGill Memorial Tour

and Picnic. He's volunteered or driven in many AROO Cup Rallies, the Northwest Classic, track days, Old Spider, and the President's tours and numerous other club events. This year he was a key member of the team that made the Allure of the Automobile one of the finest automotive events in Portland's history. Last year's recipient, Ed Slavin, and I were very pleased to present the 2011 McGill Award to Neil d'Autremont at this year's Holiday Party. When you see Neil, be sure to offer your congratulations and let him know you appreciate his work for AROO.

- Roger Dilts



Ed Slavin, Roger Dilts, and 2011 McGill Award winner Neil d'Autremont Photo by Dave Beach

1984 Bob & Margaret McGill

1985 Dick Larsen

1986 Bill Gillham

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2001 Chris Finks

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2005 Jim Gunter

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2007 David Rossman

2008 David Beach

2009 Roger Dilts and Dave Reich

2010 Ed Slavin

2011 AROO Cup Wrap Up

The 2011 AROO Cup Rally Series wound up in June and the participants, being the sort of folks who keep track of such things, surely knew who the winners were before this year's Holiday Party. But tradition held and the series director waited until December to present the awards. This year saw 51 people participate as driver or navigator, some for only a single event, while others battled through the whole series for a shot at the podium.

The March rally was written by Reid Trummel and ran around Washington County, with a foiled attempt at circumnavigating Hagg Lake. The rally was won by Teresa Davenport and Yulia Smolyansky in a BMW M3, with a total of only 10 penalty points. Second went to Dave and Colleen Rugh in their Alfa Giulia GT Veloce with 22 points, and third to Bill and Sherry Reus in their Porsche 911 with 24 points.

Simon Levear pulled a bum steer out of his hat to write the April event, which featured identical instructions for four different regularities, leading to a bit of confusion and higher than usual point totals. Bob and Donna McNabb took first with 141 points, Fred and Lisa McNabb were second with 143 points, while Tim Sigler and Diana Mati rounded up third place with 183 points.

Back to earth for May Day and a trip over Pete's Mountain and Parrett Mountain. Bill and Sue Colisch nailed this one with 11 points for first in their Nissan, Fred and Lisa in their red duetto were second with 26, and Teresa and Yulia in third with 38 points.

The series closed in June with spirited trips up and down the West Hills and a transit through car-eating potholes. Teresa and Yulia, now in Yulia's rally-ready GTV, took first with 28 points, Fred and Lisa in the red beemer got second with 45, and Bob and Donna McNabb in their MGA came in third with 78.

When all the results were totaled, the series championship and a pair of lovely silver bowls went to Teresa Davenport and Yulia Smolyansky with 37 series points. Fred and Lisa McNabb took home second with 30 series points, with Bob and Donna McNabb fast on their heels with 28 points for third. Series Director Roger

Dilts awarded the Outstanding Volunteer award to Simon Levear for re-writing and measuring Reid's March rally "on the fly" when a bicycle race closed the Hagg Lake regularity.

- Roger Dilts





Alfa GTVs get ready for April 2011 AROO Cup Rally series Photos by Roger Dilts





2012 Monte Shelton NW Classic Rally Registration Now Open

The interest in our club's premier annual event has grown like nothing we have seen before.

Since last year's event that took us to Salishan on the Oregon coast, we have received literally hundreds of inquiries from all across the country, and even some from overseas, from people who are interested in entering the next one, scheduled for July 26-29, 2012, when Bend will be our destination.

The registration form was just released for the first time in December, and only to those past participants for whom we have email addresses. We have already received dozens of registrations, and we believe that the event will reach its maximum capacity well before July. The rally committee has made plans accordingly, and we are preparing to compile a waiting list.

Therefore we encourage you to register without delay. The reg form is included in this newsletter. It is not yet posted on the rally website because we want to give you, the AROO members, a head start. However, we anticipate posting the registration form online soon and we cannot predict how rapidly we will reach capacity, so if you want to participate in the 2012 Monte Shelton Northwest Classic Rally, please register without delay.

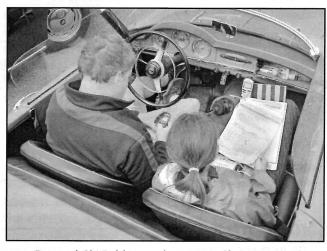
Thank you and we hope to see you in the rally in July!

Reid Trummel Chairman





Don Best's Alfa Romeo Sprint Speciale was perhaps the most dramatic-looking car in the 2011 Northwest Classic Rally. Photo by Reid Trummel



Ben and Chi Baldwin in their 1957 Alfa Romeo Giulietta Spider 750 reviewing the Route Instructions and enjoying one of the rally's many great roads.



Photos by Reid Trummel



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SUMMER TOUR OF THE NORTH CASCADES JUNE 8-10, 2012

We are heading up to the North Cascades Hwy this summer. Day one will depart from Portland with a stop at the High Desert Winery near Prosser, WA for lunch. We were here once before and the food, wine and view was great. After lunch, we head to the Inn at Soap Lake (1-800-557-8514). The Inn was built as a black smith shop in 1905 and converted to a hotel in 1915. It was, and still is, a destination resort for folks wanting to enjoy the therapeutic mineral waters of Soap Lake. Sounds like what the doctor ordered after a long day in an Alfa! Plan on bringing your swim suit as you can enjoy the actual lake water (I am told it is warm!) or enjoy the same mineral water in your private bath!

Day 2 will take us over the North Cascade Hwy, the northern most highway in Washington. The views are spectacular. We will stop in Twisp for a deli sandwich and a short walk down the historic storefronts. We will spend the second night in at the Buffalo Inn (360-873-2103) located in Marblemount.

Day 3 may include a side trip into St. Helens, lunch and then a short stint on I-5 home.

I have reserved 15 rooms at the Inn and 14 rooms at the Buffalo (all they had). Note that 4 of the rooms at the Buffalo are economy rooms that share two baths (but are only around \$60 or so). If you would prefer a private bath or find the Buffalo is full, call the Totem Pole Motel (360) 873-4535 in Rockport (two miles away) to see if you can get in there. The Inn at Soap Lake may have some extra rooms and the alternative lodging is Notaras Lodge (509) 246-0462. Tourist season begins in early June and there are very few lodging alternatives, hence I would strongly recommend you call and reserve your room early and cancel if you later find you cannot come. Rooms are under a room block for Alfa Romeo Car Club at the Inn and under Tom McGirr at the Buffalo.

As always, send Tom McGirr a note if you plan on coming so he can make the necessary meal arrangements.

mcgirrt@wcb.com. 503-910-8719.

FALL TOUR TO THE HISTORIC CONDON HOTEL SEPTEMBER 15-16

Reservations should be made **NOW** for the Fall tour to Condon, Oregon. I have reserved the entire hotel but there are only 18 rooms. You may have to battle bed bugs in the alternative location so make your call early. Room block will expire June 1 unless I am successful in lobbying for a later date.

For those that have not been here before, Condon is a quaint little town in Central Oregon. The roads in and out of Condon are fabulous if you like fast, twisty and radar free. The old hotel is very classy. After an extended happy hour in the Library, we will be having some folks come in and do an old fashioned chuck wagon dinner for us featuring prime rib, unbelievable homemade baked beans, and all the fixings. I used these folks last year and they were great!

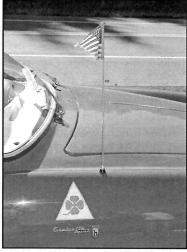
Tour will start near Estacada and head along the Clackamas River up to Timothy Lake in the Mt. Hood Forest. If the lake is calm and sky is clear, you can see a perfect reflection of Mt. Hood in the water-very cool. Next stop is at White River State Park on the Deschutes River to take in the waterfall. Lunch will be along the John Day River. All in all, about 277 miles of great driving.

Again, it is important to make your reservations early. You can cancel your room later if it turns out you can not go. As always, let me know if you intend to go as I will need to give the caterers a good meal count. Tom McGirr mcgirrt@wcb.com. 503-9108719.

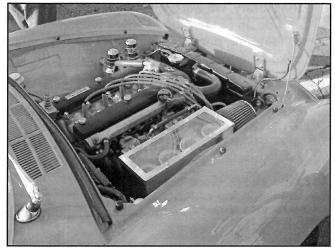




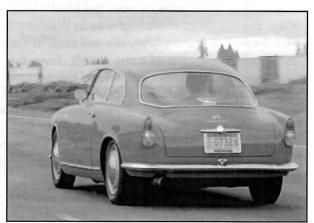
Surprise at the Track



Dave Beach's Flag



Fred's Engine



Dave' Beach's Sprint



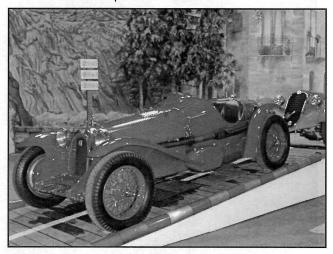
Dave Rugh's Formula 1 Alfa Cockpit



Launch of Fall Tour, 2001 from Enchanted Forest

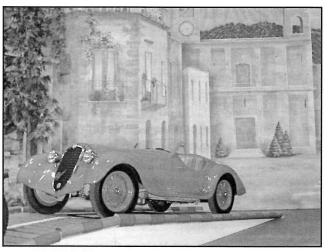
Photos by Joe Cantrell

One thing about driving across the country once or twice a year for most of the last 12 years is having a chance to visit all kinds of places. The routes are sometimes determined by the sights to be seen along the way. This year we drove across only once - from Hood River to Asheville - but on our fourth trip between the lake in NY and the mountains in NC, we went through Philadelphia and had a chance to tour the Simeone Foundation Automobile Museum. As the website proclaims: "The Simeone Foundation Automotive Museum has more than 60 cars, displayed in dioramas that represent the famous venues where these cars actually competed. These displays are used to illustrate the development of sports car road racing, here in the US and internationally." Here are some more pictures of Alfas that live there and the museum's descriptions of them:



1933 ALFA ROMEO MONZA

The Alfa Romeo Monza 8c 2300, was a pure race car which was modified for sports car competition by adding fenders and lights. In either form the Monza was highly successful on track or roads. They are among the fastest cars of the 1930's.



1937 ALFA ROMEO 8C 2900A

Advanced far beyond their time – with independent four wheel suspension, a transaxle, double overhead cam, and dual supercharged engine – these rare sports cars were unbeatable during their brief period of road racing activity before the outbreak of World War II.



1975 ALFA ROMEO 33 TT 12

With these powerful machines, Alfa Romeo won the World's Championship in 1975. Their lightweight, streamlined design, and 550 horsepower engine assured victory.

- Ruth Hall.

Photos by John Moore and Ruth Hall



Alfa Romeo

Alfa Parts Trivia Contest Results:

Players with the correct answers:

Time	Date
6:50 pm	11/17
8:07 pm	11/17
8:53 pm	11/17
	6:50 pm 8:07 pm

- Answer # 1 "Veloce Goose Neck" Adapts the engine oil pump to use a Veloce sump. The word needed for answer # 4 is VELOCE.
- Answer # 2 Sprint bumper bracket cover. The word needed for answer # 4 is SPRINT.
- Answer # 3 Giulietta Veloce Carburetor to Aircleaner connector hose. The word needed for answer # 4 is -GUILIETTA.
- Answer # 4 The Alfa Romeo represented by the parts is a GIULIETTA SPRINT VELOCE.

Dave Beach is the winner of a nice bottle of red wine.

Thanks to all who played the Alfa Parts Trivia Contest.

- Bill Gillham





Harry Borde's Guiletta Sprint Veloce Photos by Bill Gillham

Dear Sirs:

My father, who is 100-year old, owned an Alfa Romeo 1750 6C built in 1931.

He left it in Addis Ababa (Ethiopia - Africa) when he was made prisoner by the British troops in 1941.

According to my investigations, the car was still in Addis Ababa in 1951. In that year it was sent to US.

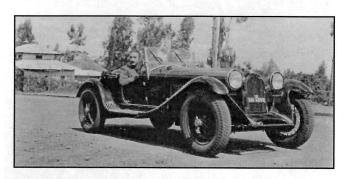
The plate was ER 6393 and the chassis number was 10814324.

Is there any way to find the new owner?

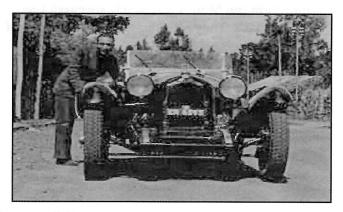
Thank you for your attention,

Emilio Barone

PS: please find attached some pictures of the car taken in Addis Ababa







Mark Carpenter won Vintage Production 1 for 2011 in his #51 Spider.

Philip Weaver won Vintage Production 2 and The Westfield Cars Perpetual Trophy, Vintage Driver of the Year for 2011 in a 1976 Alfetta GT.

David (Doc) Nichols of Eugene won Third in VP2 in an Alfa Spider.

It was a good year to see Alfas race in SCCA. You know, most of the races are FREE for spectators. You can enter at turn # 8 between races and park in the grass and walk the pits.

Or park on the south side and walk over the bridge. It would be good to see more Alfa people following the racing. That's my 2 cents worth . . .

Philip Weaver, Triple D Racing Alfetta # 36, Alfa Club Member, SCCA Member

Alfa Fromeo

1975 Alfa Spider. Runs well, headers. Good synchros. New water pump, alternator, tie rod ends, U-joints. Sure-start. 5-spoke aluminum wheels. Turbinas included. Rugh springs, Bilstein shocks. Original springs included. Nice black paint, no rust, nice maroon upholstery. Good top with cover. Owners manual, original jack and tool kit. Uninstalled roll bar. \$7500. Pics available. Allen Rossman, 15311 NE 144th PL, Woodinville, WA 98072 (Seattle area) 425-485-7075, amrossman@aol. com.

1986 Alfa Spider Veloce

For Sale \$3700 runs great; looks good in & out. Call 541-944-3033 Chris Dellsite ckd3033@gmail.com



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Regards for your kindly attention. ludovico lesti, ludovico.lesti@hotmail.it

1976 Alfa Romeo Spider (Silver), Engine rebuilt by Euro Auto, Transmission rebuilt by Euro Auto, New Fuel pump, Polished valve cover, Needs some paint but very straight body, KONI shocks, New Tires, Black leather seats by Lynn Gibner, Wind Screen, Car cover, Day Cover, Tags through 12/12 - Mechanics through the years: Jim Trofitter, Dan Sommers, NASKO Priced to sell - Best offer over \$1600.00 - I'm unemployed and need to sell quickly.

Best Regards, Bruce Rueger bruce.rueger@gmail.com



1984 Alfa Romeo Spider

She's in good condition although she has some cosmetic damage on driver side fender which I was in the process of repairing but then had no money to finish the work...it just needs finishing and paint. It is charcoal gray (original color) with black top and tan interior...a very good looking car. I really hate to part with it, but must. I am asking \$4,500 negotiable..it has been kept under cover always. It will no doubt benefit with a tune up; I haven't really been able to drive it for awhile. But it does run, just needs minor work and will be very worth it for someone who appreciates spiders. I just have come to a time in my life that I must be practical. I original paid \$5,700 for this car and I have complete records of service from the time it was owned by the first owner. It has had three owners counting myself.

The best way to get a hold of me is by my cell 541-290-3515. Shannon Rucas



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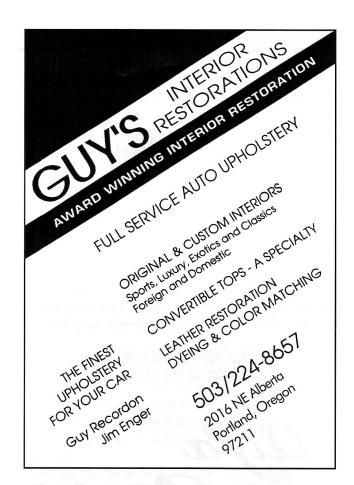
Casa de Escape is a newly built (March 1st, 2011), cozy, two-bedroom, one bath house on a private, half-acre lot 400 yards from the best kite and sailboarding beach in all of Baja. And the fishing, considering the Sea of Cortez is one of the most prolific fisheries in the world, is first class!

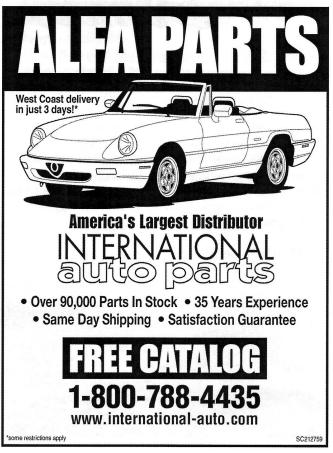
Located 60 miles north of Cabo San Lucas (42 miles north of the airport) in the quiet, laid back village of Los Barriles, the casa offers full air-conditioning and all of the modern amenities, including internet, DISH TV, washer and dryer and more. With a queen bed in the master bedroom, a double in the guest room and the futon in the living area, the casa will sleep six, provided you are all very friendly. All of the utilities are underground, leading to a spectacular view of sunrise over the Sea from the rooftop veranda. The neighborhood is guiet and upscale. And, regardless of the scary stories of drug runners and banditos rampant in the US press, the village and neighborhood are supremely safe. The locals are very friendly and the small town offers a surprising number of 28 excellent restaurants, a few with live music on some nights.

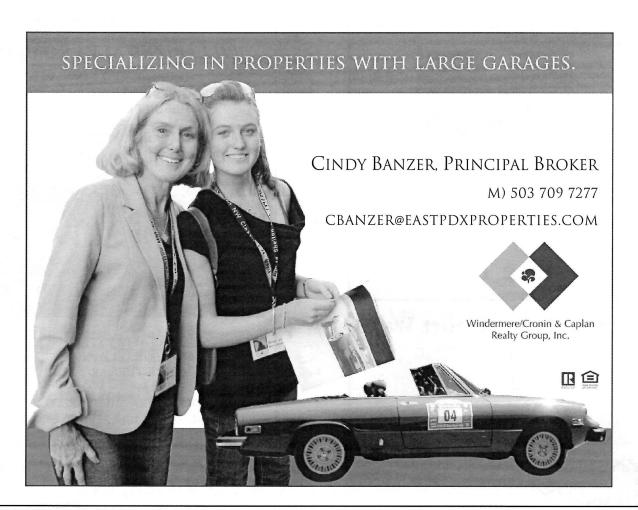
So, wake to the sounds of birds singing in the Palo Blanco trees in your yard, take your coffee up to the rooftop to watch the sun rise, rent a quad in the village to find the waterfalls at the end of the arroyo, charter a fishing boat, learn kite-boarding from my friend and owner of Exotikite, lan, go scuba diving, or just take a towel to the nearly deserted beach and read a good novel while whales, dolphins and rays frolic offshore, literally just yards away!

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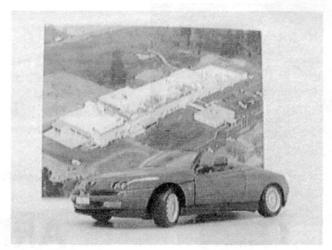
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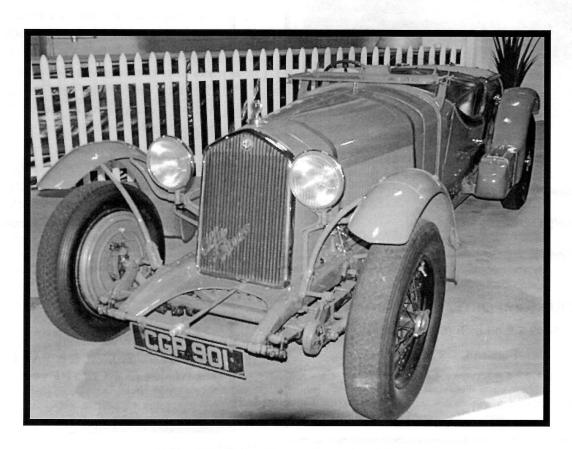
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