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*The start of the June evening tour.  
Photo George. Kraus*



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FROM THE EDITOR

Photo Cliff Brunk

When we have these beautiful sunny days I struggle to be indoors working on the newsletter. In the summer I spend morning, noon and evenings outdoors. But AROO duty calls... I wish we could bottle some of this current summer weather and open it in the dark part of winter.

Now for the fun stuff. Coming up this Saturday, July 15th is our annual AROO picnic/wine tour. As in previous years it is organized and hosted by Russ and Carol Paine. This is such a great event and the weather should be perfect. For more information please see page 8.

There has been an idea put forth for publishing a service guide of local Alfa resources — Medford to Vancouver WA.? These would be sources for parts and services to keep our Alfa's rebuilt, repainted, upholstered, and running well. Ideas, interested? Contact us with your thoughts.

Cheers,

*George Kraus*

Editor

## ALFA BITS

Alfa Bits is the official newsletter of the Alfa Romeo Owners of Oregon. It is published about 11 times per year in PDF format and is downloadable from the club's website, [www.alfaclub.org](http://www.alfaclub.org).

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## NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

I am always looking for content to fill these pages and encourage you to participate by submitting articles, photos, want-ads and paid advertising. Your content contributions and paid advertising will greatly improve and sustain the club.

## ABOUT AROO

In the late 1950s, two Giulietta Spider Veloce's came to Portland. They were featured on a local TV show to promote a sports car race

which they dominated, winning converts in the growing sports car scene. As interest and knowledge of Alfas grew, Alfa fans — known as "Alfisti" — began to gather at Rambo Motors, the new Alfa dealer in Portland, which trained mechanics and supported a racing team. In the early 1960s, Bob Rinde, Rambo's sales manager, joined the national Alfa Romeo Owners Club and others followed. By October 1968 there was enough local interest for Bob McGill to apply to start a chapter, making AROO the sixth AROC-US chapter.

## AROO MEMBERSHIP LIST

Although located in Oregon, AROO welcomes members from the Pacific Northwest and around the world. For the latest information check out our [website](#) page for events and published newsletters. The monthly meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at **The Old Spaghetti Factory**, 0715 SW Bancroft St., Portland, OR, 503.222.5375. June, July and August are evening tours. Check the newsletter for details.

## President's Column – July 2017 – Doug Zaitz



Photos Doug Zaitz

### A Guide to Italian Coffee Culture

Introduced in the 1500s, coffee has developed its own culture in Italy. Learn how to blend in at any Italian "bar" with our five-step guide!

The day is defined by coffee rituals: a cappuccino with breakfast, a caffè macchiato – or two – as an afternoon pick-me-up, and espresso after dinner. And like any culture, that of Italian coffee comes with seemingly mysterious laws. Order a latte, and you'll receive a glass of milk (which is exactly what you ordered). Ask for a to-go cup or order a cappuccino after 11 a.m., and risk an instant tourist label.

**1. BUONGIORNO!** The morning begins with a breakfast comprising a pastry paired with a delicious, milky coffee:

**Cappuccino:** equal parts espresso, steamed milk, and foamed milk

**Caffè latte:** espresso with more steamed milk and less foam

**Latte macchiato:** steamed milk "marked" with a splash of espresso

Note: Do not order these drinks after 11 a.m. Italians only enjoy milky coffee in the morning – never in the afternoon, and especially not after a meal!

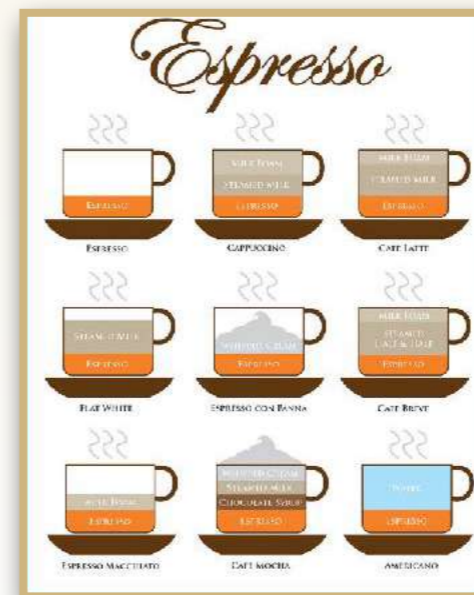
**2. PRENDIAMO UN CAFFÈ!** "Let's get a coffee!" Appropriate anytime, a caffè (or caffè normale) is simply an espresso, a small but strong shot of black coffee. Italians often sip a caffè as an afternoon pick-me-up or after a meal.

Note: While you can order a caffè doppio for a double shot of espresso, this is not typical in Italy. If you need that extra jolt of caffeine, just visit your favorite barista multiple times a day – you won't be the only one.

**3. MIX IT UP.** Over the centuries, Italians have created a variety of alterations to the powerful punch of espresso.

**Caffè macchiato:** For the softer side of coffee, enjoy this espresso "marked" with a splash of frothy milk. Unlike the breakfast drinks, this lightly milky caffè can be enjoyed as frequently as caffè normale.

**Caffè corretto:** Literally translated to "corrected coffee," this drink features espresso with a splash of alcohol, such as grappa or sambuca.



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**Caffè americano:** After trying drip coffee in the United States, Italians decided to offer tourists a taste of home. Their interpretation: espresso diluted with plenty of hot water.

**Caffè lungo:** This “long coffee” comprises espresso with a splash of hot water but is stronger than the americano.

*Note: Since the coffee experience is designed to be enjoyed socially and in small doses, to-go cups are nonexistent in Italy.*

**4. THINK REGIONALLY.** Each of Italy's 20 regions boasts its own unique coffee culture. Espresso may be ubiquitous, but there are many regional twists to the caffè. In the northern Le Marche, enjoy a caffè anisette for an anise-flavored espresso; in southern Sicily, try caffè d'un parrinu, an Arabic-inspired coffee flavored with cloves, cinnamon, and cocoa.

*Note: Before ordering, research the region for local ingredients – or subtly listen to your fellow coffee drinkers at the cafe!*

**5. AL BANCO.** In Italy, coffee is typically enjoyed al banco, or at the bar, with friends.

*Note: It is common to order and drink your coffee first, then pay at the register. However coffee bars at airports, train stations and on the Autostrada it is pay first, then order by displaying receipt. To be fails-safe, observe the locals, and follow suite!*

*Please join us on Wednesday the 19 for an evening drive with Alfas and friends, followed by food and beverage – it's time for our annual July Evening Tour. Details will go out in our email blast, and can be found online as well.*

## **EVERY FIRST WEDNESDAY:**

Board Meeting at Buster's Barbecue in Tigard at 7 PM  
Contact Doug Zaitz at [doug.zaitz@alfaclub.org](mailto:doug.zaitz@alfaclub.org) or  
509-768-4312.

## **THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH:**

Monthly Meeting at Old Spaghetti Factory 7:30 PM —  
September through May. Evening tours — June, July and  
August. Check the complete AROO calendar [HERE](#).

### **January**

4 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.  
18 AROO Monthly meeting at Ernesto's 7:30 PM.

### **February**

1 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.  
12 AROO Valentine's Tour.  
15 AROO monthly meeting at Ernesto's 7:30 PM.

### **March**

1 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.  
11 AROO Rally School.  
12 AROO Cup Rally 1.  
15 AROO Monthly meeting at Ernesto's 7:30 PM.

### **April**

2 AROO Cup Rally 2.  
5 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.  
19 AROO Monthly meeting at Ernesto's 7:30 PM.  
29-30 Old Spider Tour.

### **May**

3 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.  
7 AROO Cup Rally 3.  
13 Alfa Romeo Owners of Oregon - Annual Swap Meet & Garage Tour.  
17 AROO Monthly meeting at Ernesto's 7:30 PM.  
29 2017 McGirr Alfa Wannabe Car Tour.

### **June**

7 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.  
11 AROO Cup Rally 4.  
21 AROO Evening Tour. This event is in place of the general meeting.

### **July**

5 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.  
15 AROO Summer Picnic.  
19 AROO Evening Tour

### **August**

3-6 AROO Monti Shelton NW Classic Rally.  
4 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.  
16 AROO Evening Tour.  
24-27 McGirr AROO 2017 Summer Tour.

### **September**

6 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.  
16 AROO Old Super Tour.  
20 AROO Monthly meeting at Old Spaghetti Factory 7:30 PM.  
23-24 McGirr AROO Fall Tour.

### **October**

4 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.  
15 AROO Volunteer Appreciation Dinner.  
18 AROO Monthly meeting at Old Spaghetti Factory 7:30 PM.

### **November**

1 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.  
15 AROO Monthly meeting at Old Spaghetti Factory 7:30 PM.

### **December**

3 AROO Holiday Party.  
6 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.

**[Click HERE to see all AROO and non AROO activities.](#)**

**[Click HERE to see AROO and other AROC-US Chapter Events.](#)**

Welcome all new members and congratulations everyone with an anniversary in July. You make the club. Thank you all.

### July Member Anniversaries

David and Kathleen Beach	36 years
Steven Brown and Natasha Seeley	1 year
David Fish	19 years
Bill and Marian Gillham	40 years
Jim and Nancy Gunter	30 years
William Helzer	5 years
Vern Liesinger	22 years
Bernie and Sherry Mermis	27 years
Sergio Peticucci	26 years
James Prato	18 years
Jerry Rovensky	12 years
P. S. Sundar	5 years
Joseph Sweeney & Jerome Deluz	4 years
Dennis and Peggy Torgeson	5 years
Jeffrey Tunick	1 year
Richard Varner	8 years



### New AROO Members in July 2017

Chris Hamel  
Carl Prufer

# AROO Summer Wine Tour & Picnic

Saturday, July 15th, 2017

*Hosted By Russ and Carol Paine*

One of the AROO celebrations of summer and Alfas is a tour and picnic on Saturday leaving at 10 a.m. with a short driver's meeting at 9:50 a.m. Prepare your car and yourselves for a pleasant drive on Chehalem Mountain roads among others, a wine tasting and a destination picnic at a second winery provided by AROO and catered by Babica Hen. The event winds down by 2 p.m. leaving individual time to make your way home.

We will begin from Russ and Carol's home located at 31395 SW Firdale Rd, Cornelius, OR 97113 (503-866-8870). See directions below. We will have coffee, tea and scones starting at 9 a.m. and will arrange cars and participants for a group picture before we depart.

**Lunch orders from Babica Hen** – please email or call in your lunch order to [russ.paine@frontier.com](mailto:russ.paine@frontier.com) (503-866-8870) by Wednesday, July 12th. Note: sandwiches are generous so you may want to split one with your companion. Assorted cold beverages are provided.

**Choices:** *Turkey and Avocado; Pulled Pork ; Garden Hen (all veggie); or Tuna Melt.*

We will be stopping at Hawks View Cellars (20210 SW Conzelmann Rd, Sherwood, OR 97140) (11 a.m. approximate) then head to Elizabeth Chambers Cellars (455 NE Irvine Street, McMinnville, OR 97128) for lunch and tasting (12:45 p.m. approx).

**Directions to Paines:**

We are 0.9 miles off of 219 on the righthand side of Firdale Rd. Our driveway is beyond our house – you will see two newer homes serviced by this entryway, ours is the second one back as you approach with shop and more extensive landscaping. As a reference, if you come out Farmington Rd. until it “T’s” with 219, you would take a right then the first left is Firdale Rd (very short distance on 219, there is signage). If you are traveling south on 219, we are the last right before reaching Bald Peak Rd. and after passing Unger Rd. and Lukas Rd.



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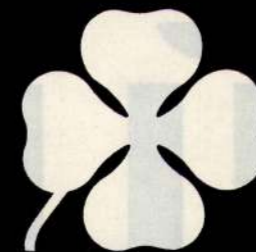
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**JUNE 7, 2017 AROO BOD**

**Time: Meeting Called to Order by Doug Zaitz at 7:15 PM**

**Board Members Present at Buster's:**

Chris Bright; Tom Burnett; Jim Gunter; Mark Carpenter; Bob Stevens; Dave Beach; Cindy Banzer; Sue Halton;

**Board Members Present Via Zoom:**

Douglas Zaitz; Bill Gillham;

**AROO Members Present:**

Jeff Tunick, Advertising Chair

**Liaison Reports**

**1. BOD Minutes (Dave Beach)**

**a. May 2017 Approved** (submitted for ALFABITS 6/8)

**2. Treasurer's Report (Cindy Banzer)**

Cindy submitted balances in the 3 Chase accounts:

AROO Main Checking \$7426.51

AROO Savings Account \$30,248.78

NW Classic Rally Account \$77664.11 (large jump due to 2017 Rally entries and sponsorships)

**3. Past Events Reports:**

**a. May General Meeting (DaveB)**

@ Ernesto's side room; Godshalk/Warner MilleMiglia2008 PP presentation to 15 other enthusiastic members, including Alfa visitor from Norway.

**b. Swap Meet & Moss Garage Tour (TomB, Stu Moss) Saturday, May 13 -**

despite cold/wet, great turnout; lots of parts and drooling and money exchanges; Neil d'Autremont kept warm as BBQ chef;

**4. Upcoming Event Reports:**

**a. AROO Cup Rallies: (Roger Dilts; chair)**

Rally#4 June 11 to be written by Smolyansky/Eckland.

**b. June 21st Evening Tour (vice General Meeting): (TomBurnett-BOD)**

Route Wilsonville-to-Forest Grove, via Chehalem Mountain; will make announcements via web/ALFABITS

**c. July 15th Summer Winery/(Picnic) Tour (vice General Meeting) -**

(Russ Paine, Sue Halton-BOD) - will tour 3 wineries; pre-ordered lunch from Babica Hen.

**d. August 16th Evening tour (vice General Meeting)- (BillG-BOD) begin**

I-5 SB French Prairie Rest Area; end at "Flight Deck" in Salem; about 1.5hr drive

**e. August 21st Monday Solar Eclipse Tour (DougZ-BOD joint with NWARC**

FredRussell); tour to Bend; overnight in Vancouver, WA.

**f. McGirr Summer Tour (Tom McGirr) to southern Oregon; see ALFABITS**

**g. Old Super Tour Saturday Sept16 (DaveB-BOD, DickLarsen); BOD**

approved budget item toward food/museum; one day including North Bonneville and WAAAM in Hood River, ZigZag.

**g. September General Meeting (JimGunter-BOD) review MSNWCR 2017 w/ photo show**

**h. McGirr Fall Tour (Tom McGirr);to Willamette Valley covered bridges; see ALFABITS**

**i. Fall Tour to Seattle to visit Whitten & Shirley (adjacent) Museums, joint with NWARC (DougZ-BOD; Neil d'Autremont) - Discussed an October 21st Saturday day trip format, 3-4hr visit;**

**j. Annual October Volunteer Dinner (CindyB-BOD, SueH-BOD) Sunday Oct15**

**k. 2017 NW Classic Rally (JimG) - a. 73 TSD, 27 touring; b. meeting 6/8 meet with 2018 Hotel; c. has received interest from AROO member to "shadow" JimG (!!!)**

**5. AlfaBits Membership Report (BobS) this month anniversaries 1-to-34 years in AROO; 2 new members**

**6. Merchandise/Apparel Report (Jerry Lomas, Chair) postponed**

**7. Competition Report (MarkC) a. Reminder to all organizers of all moving events- must use Naughton Insurance Form for all moving events b. link located on AROO website to AROC-US website.**

**8. AlfaBits/AROO Website Advertising Report (Jeff Tunick): BOD discussion of lack of Alfa Romeo repair shops in PDX area; resulted in promises to advise JeffT of potential reputable, reliable shops for Jeff to contact regarding advertising to AROO membership; JeffT writes short article for ABITS as to what is desired from membership**

**New and Continuing Business**

**1. New General meeting Location:** after more discussion and review of previous issues with Ernesto's Restaurant for General Meetings, decided to begin hunt for new General Meeting Location, **required by September.**

Criteria for selection: Parking, Room size, Food service, Audio/Visio options, Geographical location

**Each BOD member will email President Zaitz in next 2 weeks with at least one potential meeting location.** All input from membership

appreciated!

**2. BOD Meetings:** BOD decided **NOT** to hold a BOD meeting in July.

**3. AROO 50th Anniversary 2018 :** (Lisa McNabb -proposer): BOD discussed appropriate merchandise procurement that would be available by 2018; likely not clothing which requires stock sizes which historically have been a financial loss.

**4. AROO trailer:** DBeach volunteered to deliver trailer to get new tires.

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:25 PM**

Respectfully submitted:

**Dave Beach - AROO Secretary**

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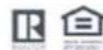
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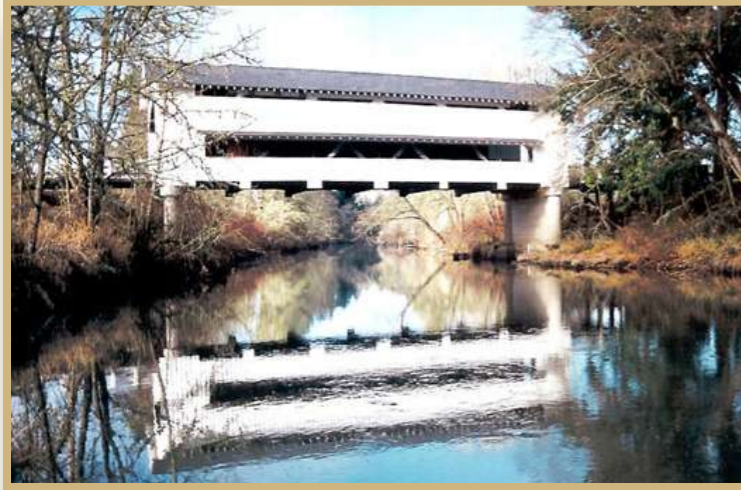
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Mark Carpenter's Giulietta. Photo George Kraus

# AROO COVERED BRIDGE TOUR

September 23-24



This motel is now owned by Moonstone, the same folks who oversee the Oregon Gardens in Silverton. Dinner will be on your own at the Green around 7 pm.

While designed to be a two day tour, **day trippers are welcome** as well. You can stick with us through lunch or tour down to Cottage Grove and I-5 it home. However, do try to stay the night...great fellowship!

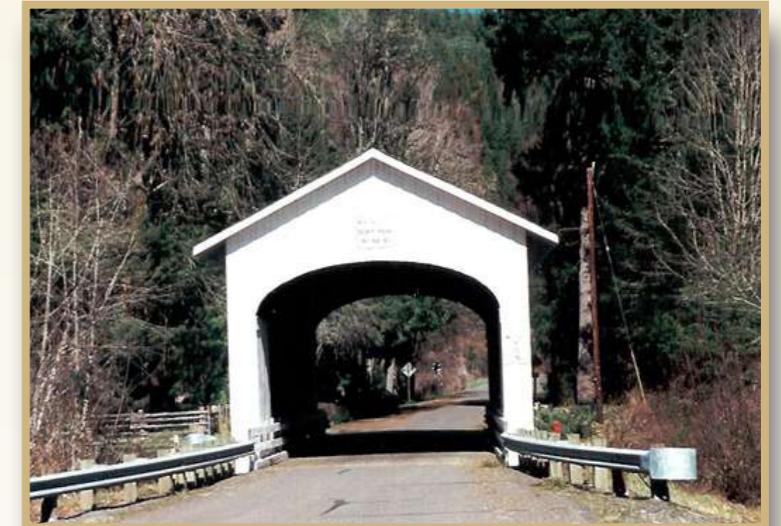
Questions? Call Tom McGirr at 503-983-3656.



I was able to negotiate a GREAT rate of \$129 for their DELUXE rooms which have a fireplace and a very nice patio facing out to the gardens.

The next day we will enjoy a leisurely 3 ½ hour drive taking in another 7 covered bridges and finish the tour with a late lunch at a brewpub in Independence.

You can make your room reservations now by calling the Village Green and referencing Alfa Romeo Owners of Oregon. Rate should be \$129. 541-942-2491 or 800-966-6490.



This year's two-day Fall tour will feature 23 covered bridges, fall leaf colors and a stay at the recently remodeled Village Green Resort in Cottage Grove.

The trip will begin at **9:30 AM** from Coolidge and McClaine Park (313 Charles Street) in Silverton. Plan on being there a little early for a short driver meeting. We will be taking in 23 covered bridges over two days. While being a somewhat leisurely drive for a McGirr Tour, it will have some great driving roads. We see 15 bridges over 170 miles the first day with your instructions providing a brief history of each bridge. Lunch will be in a park so bring your own!

We will reach the Village Green in time to enjoy the pool, weather permitting, wonder the beautiful gardens and have a traditional AROO happy hour on our garden front patios. Bring some snacks to share!





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### XXIX

Presented by the Alfa Romeo Owners of Oregon

**AUGUST 3-6, 2017**

Dear NW Classic Rally Volunteer-to-be,

As the Alfa Romeo Owners of Oregon presents the 2017 edition of the Monte Shelton Northwest Classic Rally, we are asking that you give us your time as a volunteer this year. With help from you and the other volunteers, the Northwest Classic Rally will continue to be the premier event of which we are all proud.

The 29th Northwest Classic Rally will be held August 3rd through 6th. We need your help to put on what is sure to be a fantastic event. Please take a few minutes to complete the attached/enclosed **Volunteer Participation Form** and **return it to me as noted, NLT May 1, 2017**. I will make every effort to match you to your selected tasks. I need you to complete and return the form **even if you have previously let me or someone else know that you are going to volunteer** (enabling me to get shirt sizes, meal counts, etc.) Please provide **complete** for **each person** volunteering. Be sure that your **email address is legible**. **All further correspondence will be by email**.

Rally volunteers will receive associated meals compliments of the Northwest Classic Rally, along with the "goody" bag, including this year's apparel. For planning and budgeting purposes, please be sure to note which meals you will be needing and your clothing size.

Our 2017 destination is The Resort at the Mountain, near Welches, Oregon, 503-622-3101, set aside as "Northwest Classic Motor Rally". We have 5 King or Double queen resort rooms available at \$168.00 and have 20 Fireside Kings (with extra sofa bed) for \$199. Volunteers must make their own lodging arrangements.

If you have any questions about volunteering, please email me at beachblueberry@gmail.com.

Thanks for volunteering,

**Dave Beach**

2017 MSNWCR Volunteer Coordinator

## Monte Shelton Northwest Classic Rally - Aug 3-6, 2017

### Volunteer Participation Form

Name:

Phone:

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Shirt size: Men's Small Med. Large XLarge XXLarge

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#### **Jobs I want to do (Circle choices):**

Set-up / Tear-down - **Thursday** afternoon/evening

Traffic / Parking control - **Thursday** evening

Scrutineering - **Thursday** evening

Registration - **Thursday** evening

Set-up / cleanup - **Friday** morning

Traffic / Parking control - **Friday** morning

Starter helper - **Friday** morning

Anything needed - **Thursday - Friday - Saturday**

Lunch site setup / parking - **Friday** mid-day

Timing / Checkpoint worker - **Friday - morning - afternoon**

Hotel arrival crew - **Friday** afternoon

Start helper - **Saturday** morning

Lunch site setup / parking - **Saturday** mid-day

Timing / Checkpoint worker - **Saturday - morning - afternoon**

Car wash setup / teardown - **Saturday** afternoon

Barricade pickup and return - **Thursday and Friday, requires truck!**

**NOTE ON MEALS:** Meal(s) provided will be noted when you receive your assignment. Additional meals may be purchased at our cost if you wish.

Comments, additional information, etc:

Please return this **completed** form **NLT May 1, 2017** to Dave Beach, (**prefer scanned and attach to email** to beachblueberry@gmail.com)

**OR** US mail **completed** form to:

David Beach, 2017 MSNWCR Volunteer Coordinator  
10280 SW Bryton Ct., Wilsonville, OR 97070

# AROO - Portland Vintage Racing Festival at PIR



Newly named – Vintage Racing Festival.

**July 28-30 (Friday-Sunday) – Alfa Romeo Owners of Oregon (AROO) – Portland Vintage Racing Festival at PIR. Hosted by Sportscar Vintage Racing Association (SVRA), contact Kathy Swinford at [kathy@svra.com](mailto:kathy@svra.com) or 817-521-5158.**

**[www.svra.com/events/2017-portland-vintage-racing-festival/](http://www.svra.com/events/2017-portland-vintage-racing-festival/)**

A spectacular gathering of vintage and contemporary race cars will create the Portland Vintage Racing Festival at PIR. The flat yet challenging, 12-turn, 1.967 mile track offers a unique driving opportunity. Whether you're a driver, entrant in the Hagerty Show and Shine Car show, or fan there is a unique fun racing experience for you. This event offers three full days of racing for all SVRA race groups. The Portland Vintage Racing Festival embraces the return of Trans-Am to Oregon by hosting the third of four Trans Am West Coast Championship races. In 1975, Portland International hosted the Trans-Am Series, which was won by John Greenwood, driving a Chevrolet Corvette. Greenwood went on to win the 1975 Trans-Am Series Championship.

New to this event is the Mazda Miata Heritage Cup Series. This race will have its own distinct race with the group made up of first generation 1.6-liter spec Miatas of 1990 to 1993 vintage. This new race offers a new "entry point" to vintage racing.

Friday is an open test day and SVRA offers an optional Driver Orientation/Track Orientation Program (TOP/DOP) for drivers who have not previously competed at this track and/or for those who want to learn a few extra "go-fast" secrets of this road race circuit. Saturday evening will feature a party for drivers and crews.

PIR is built on the former location of Vanport, Oregon, which was destroyed in 1948, when a dike on the Columbia River broke and flooded the city. After the flood, all that remained were the paved streets and concrete foundations of destroyed buildings. In 1960, a time of growing interest in sports car and drag racing, the Portland Jaycees saw that the abandoned roads of Vanport had the potential to become a road race course. In 1961 the first Rose Cup auto race was held. The track has hosted Champ Car, IMSA, NASCAR and more. PIR is situated in North Portland, adjacent to hotels, restaurants, the shops that cater to PIR users.

Spectator tickets can be purchased online or at the gate.

ONLY ONE ROOM LEFT FOR THE SUMMER TOUR! IF YOU WISH TO JOIN US AT CALLAHAN'S AND ENJOY A SHAKESPEARES PLAY, YOU NEED TO CALL TOM NOW



**'Fun awaits the brave!'**

## **LAST MINUTE DETAILS FOR SUMMER TOUR TO ASHLAND!**

### **DEPARTURE TIME, LOCATION and OTHER INFO:**

7:40: Driver Meeting-South Salem Fred Meyer  
(Corner of Commercial Street S and Madrona near Starbucks)

7:45-Departure!

(In order to avoid as much I-5 as possible, we are leaving a little early. If you want to stay overnight in Salem the night before, I recommend the Phoenix on S. Commercial Rd. If you just want to catch us on the road, we will be having lunch at Tolly's in Oakland around 11:30). Earlier rest stop locations are Fort Hoskins Historic Park at 8:45am (NW of Philomath off Hwy 213) and Veneta City Park a little after 10.

Bring a small ice chest to hold your box lunch for Crater Lake. Also, bring some cash for wine tasting fees.

Bring a light sweater or coat in case it gets chilly during the play.

Bring some snacks to share Saturday afternoon at Steamboat Inn as well as your favorite libation.

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**DETAILS:**

The summer tour will take place August 24-27, Thursday-Sunday. Tour departs from Salem with the first destination being Ashland. We stay at Callahan's Lodge and will be having an early dinner at the Lodge then heading down to the Elizabethan Theatre to see Homer's epic play The Odyssey.

Friday we will enjoy some wine tasting at several nice wineries in the Applegate Valley. That evening, we will have dinner at Caldera Brewing Company, which is owned by my daughter and son-in-law. Those expecting pub food may be disappointed...this is a really nice place to eat and they set the bar, as far as I am concerned, for micro beers for both taste and variety (46 on tap at last count)! We will be enjoying a 5 course meal paired to appropriate beers.

Saturday will take us on a leisurely drive to Steamboat Inn on the Umpqua River. It is SO relaxing to sit on the decks overlooking the river and enjoying a nice glass of wine or beer! They historically have done a fabulous job on dinner. New owners this year so keep your fingers crossed. Sunday will feature some nice back-roads back to civilization with a late lunch planned at Block 15 in Corvallis.



*I currently have enough Shakespeare tickets to accommodate 3 ADDITIONAL couples provided you can find your own lodging in Ashland. Surplus Shakespeare tickets will be released July 26 so after that, you are on your own. There are a number of motels and B&B's down the hill from Callahan's. You would be able to join us for all the activities planned in Ashland. If you wanted to join us for dinner at Steamboat Inn, you would need to find a place to stay. The Dogwood Motel is the closest (east of Idlewild Park) and there are few others in Idlewild.*

Send me an e-mail c/o [tmcgirr@columbiatrustcompany.com](mailto:tmcgirr@columbiatrustcompany.com) if you want to reserve your spot. Questions: Tom McGirr 503-983-3656





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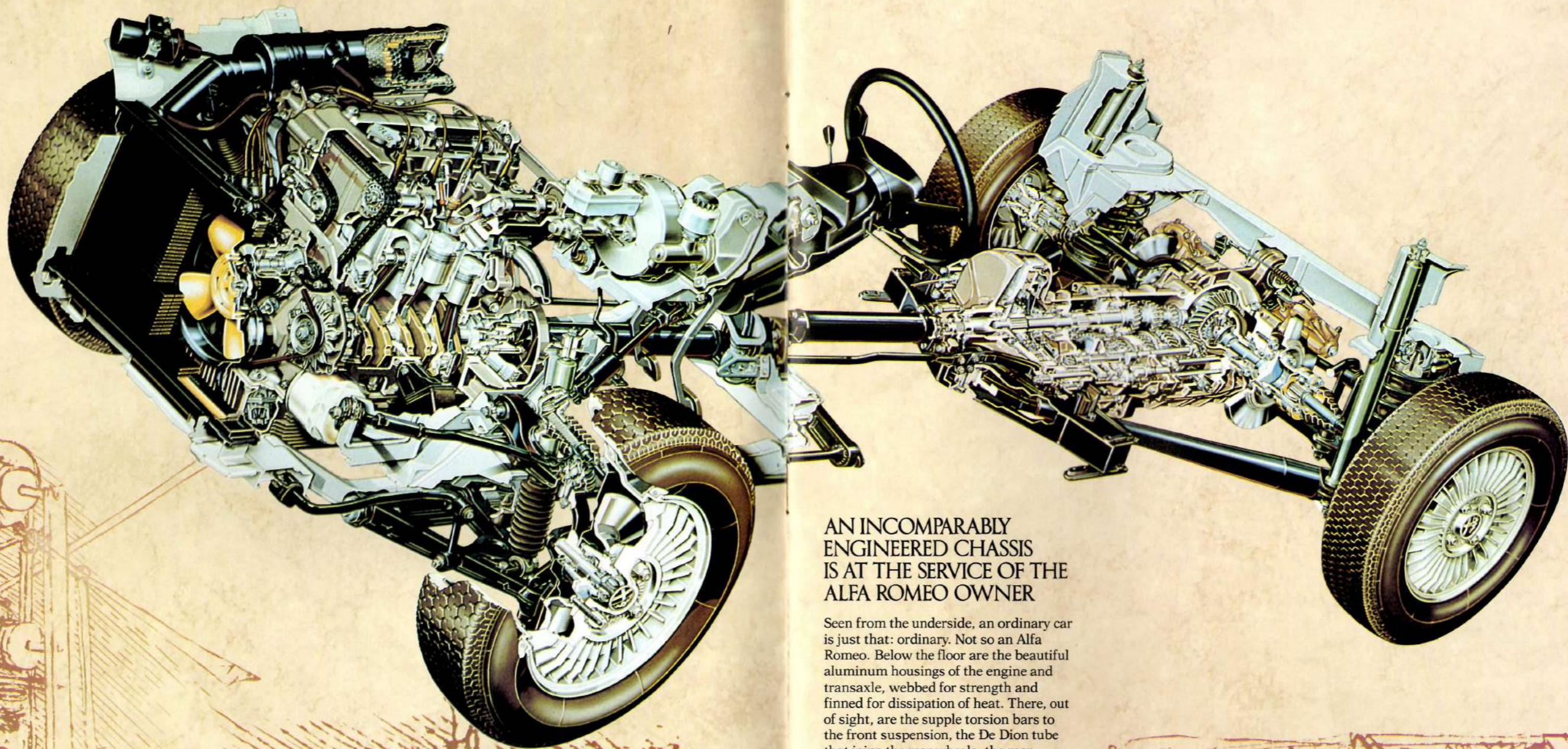
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- Tires have lots of tread left (Toyo Proxes)
- Also may need a new alternator (has had trouble retaining charge with new battery)
- Retractable sunroof hangs up a bit
- Parked for quite awhile (some oxidizing)
- 175,508 miles - Only second owner
- Leaky seals (burns oil) \*

\* It has been stored for about 10 years (9 years indoors).

Thanks,  
**Brian Wolfe 503-313-0750**



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