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FROM THE EDITOR

Photo Cliff Brunk

Another year scheduled for the NSNWC Rally

Greetings.

Well another year of the NW Classic is behind us and from what I heard it was a successful event enjoyed by all. Next year will continue with some new volunteers. See the Drivers Seat page for details. Next week is Sempreverde 2018 – the AROC National Convention in Olympia, Washington, August 4-12. I am looking forward to the drive up and the events I have signed up for.

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Cheers,

George Kraus

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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.

In The Drivers Seat— August 2018 – Doug Zaitz



NW Classic
Scheyenne Tunick photo.

A Huge “Thank You” to...

A huge “Thank You” to our Northwest Classic Motorcar Rally Volunteers and Organizing Committee – you’ve done it again! Our 30th Annual event was a resounding success! Also I would like to thank our most gracious title sponsor, Monte Shelton, for his support during these many years – we could not have done it without you and Sue!

Please don’t think that AROO is done with the Northwest Classic – there will indeed be a 31st Annual event, and I am happy to announce that a number of members have stepped forward to help with the transition of the organizing committee, as many have decided to enjoy some retirement after all of these years. Those familiar faces are not going

away, rather they will still be volunteering to help, but not in the lead roles.

We are working towards having a signed contract for the host hotel by the end of September – rumor has it the rally will be going north towards Olympia...

In these next weeks, we will be assembling our team. We have a rally master who is very excited to take on this role – and he is someone who we all know and whose rallies we have run. Roger Dilts, the AROO Cup Series Coordinator and occasional rally master, has volunteered to join our team. John Clemson has volunteered to be Treasurer. We have several new faces expressing interest in joining the committee. And despite rumors of gentle arm-twisting, I have accepted the roles of Chair and Registrar.

In the coming weeks we will be canvassing our members for additional support in several other key roles – so please consider volunteering, as without our volunteers, we can’t possibly continue this fun and significant event.

Again choosing one of the hottest days of the summer to drive my Junior Zagato to Portland, I arrived in time for the NWCMR scrutineering, none-the-less for wear yet quite dehydrated, despite drinking nearly three liters of water! I am beginning to trust this car in hot weather, as I am learning where its weak points are, and how to keep it happy and healthy. I even determined how far I can drive it despite an unreliable gas gauge, so I can reliably get to the next filling station without worry!

The **sempreverde2018** AROC National Convention is upon us – I am now in Olympia, Washington for the next week. Alfas are beginning to fill the parking lot, and excitement is in the air!

For you very late stragglers, please visit www.sempreverde2018.org and register ASAP! The convention registration price has now gone up in cost since July 1st, and some events have now sold out. The host hotel has sold out, however there are several moderately priced chain hotels very close by to the host hotel in Olympia.

Also keep in mind AROC National is returning for its second year at the annual Concorso Italiano in Seaside on Saturday, August 25th. I will be there, driving down in something Alfa. Come visit us at our AROC and ARA booth on the Alfa Fairway!

And lastly, the August Evening Tour and Dinner is a go – be there and enjoy a great ride put on by our own Rick Martin. On Wednesday, August 15th meet at the parking lot towards the southwest end of the Scholls Ferry / Murray Shopping Center. Gather in the west area near the liquor store and Jamba Juice, near 14845 SW Scholls Ferry Road, at the light at 147th. There is a Starbucks close by to the east, and a Chevron station to the west a block or so away. The tour will be just over 50 miles, and takes about 1-1/2 hours. The destination for a no-host dinner is the McMenamin’s Rock Creek Tavern, 10000 NW Old Cornelius Pass Road, 503-645-3822.

Alfa in the news—

4C Coupe is Dead in N America



The Alfa Romeo 4C Coupe is Dead in North America

But the 4C Spider will live on for at least another year.

By: Eric Brandt

www.thedrive.com/author/eric-brandt
June 28, 2018

We can't say we're surprised, but the [Alfa Romeo 4C](#) Coupe is being discontinued for the North American market, a sad reality that Alfa Romeo confirmed in an email to *The Drive*.

However, the 4C Spider will stick around at least for a little while.

“While the 4C Coupe is no longer in production for North American market, it remains in production for all other markets, and remains available for sale in North America while supplies last as a 2018MY vehicle,” said an Alfa Romeo spokesman to *The Drive*.

If you prefer a convertible to a hardtop, you're in luck. “The 4C Spider provides an extraordinary, unfiltered driving experience with a weight of only 22 pounds over the Coupe, providing the best of both worlds—open air freedom, unparalleled handling, no impact on structural integrity and 0-60 in 4.1-seconds,” said Alfa Romeo.

Also, the 2019 [4C](#) Spider has a few new tricks up its sleeve. A few of these tricks include additional standard features like a backup camera, rear parking sensors, cruise control, and “extensive customization options,” according to Alfa.

There's also a price hike coming for the 2019 Alfa Romeo 4C Spider. The new starting price is \$66,900, but Alfa Romeo reminded us that a 2018 4C Coupe can be had for as little as \$55,900. We last heard in January that an Alfa Romeo 4C [replacement was in the works](#), but we have almost no details. The only thing we're pretty sure about is that it sadly won't be offered with a manual transmission.

So if you have any interest in buying a new 4C Coupe, act fast. They'll all be gone soon and it's hard to say when—if ever—a comparable Alfa Romeo coupe will replace it.



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THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH:

Monthly Meeting at Old Spaghetti Factory 7:00 PM —
September through May. Evening tours — June, July and
August. Check the complete AROO calendar [HERE](#).

January

3 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.
17 AROO Monthly meeting at Old Spaghetti Factory 7:00 PM.

February

7 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.
11 AROO Valentine's Tour.
21 AROO Monthly meeting at Old Spaghetti Factory 7:00 PM.

March

7 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.
10 AROO Rally School.
11 AROO Cup Rally 1.
17 Tour and Shop Visit to Hotrod Dreamworks in Canby, Oregon.
21 AROO Monthly meeting at Old Spaghetti Factory 7:00 PM.

April

4 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.
8 AROO Cup Rally 2.
18 AROO Monthly meeting at Old Spaghetti Factory 7:00 PM.
21 Old Spider Tour (one day tour) Erik Roe.

May

2 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.
6 AROO Cup Rally 3.
12 Alfa Romeo Owners of Oregon - Annual Swap Meet & Garage Tour.
16 AROO Monthly meeting at Old Spaghetti Factory 7:00 PM.

June

3 AROO Cup Rally 4.
6 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.
7-10 AROO 50th Anniversary Party, Host: Lisa McNabb
16-23 Alfa Wannabe Tour East WA & North ID Host: Tom McGirr
20 No General Meeting this Month.

July

No Board of Directors Monthly Meeting this month, Tigard.

8 Sports Car Market Alfa Display at the Portland Art Museum

12-13 Rose Cup Races

14 AROO Summer Picnic and Wine Tour.

15 Forest Grove featuring Alfa Romeo.

18 AROO Evening Tour. This event is in place of the general meeting.

26-29 AROO Monti Shelton NW Classic Rally.

No General Meeting this Month.

August

1 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.

5-12 AROC National Convention, Olympia WA

15 AROO Evening Tour.

23-26 McGirr Summer Tour.

30-31 Portland Grand Prix, Indy Car traces at PIR. (Continued into Sept)

September

1-2 (Continued) Portland Grand Prix, Indy Car traces at PIR.

5 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.

8-9 Columbia River Classic SOVREN Historic Racing at PIR

15 AROO Old Super Tour. See page 10.

19 AROO Monthly meeting at Old Spaghetti Factory 7:00 PM.

October

3 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.

6-7 Fall Tour

14 AROO Volunteer Reception. Host Cindy Banzer.

17 AROO Monthly meeting at Old Spaghetti Factory 7:00 PM.

November

7 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.

21 AROO Monthly meeting at Old Spaghetti Factory 7:00 pm.

December

2 AROO Holiday Party.

4 Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, 7 PM Buster's Barbecue, Tigard.

Congratulations to everyone with an anniversary in August & welcome new members

Member Anniversaries in August

Lonnie Dicus	3 Years
Roger Diltz	11 Years
Rolf and Suzanne Donahwer	30 Years
Marc and Carrie Ereminas	23 Years
Dennis Everson	3 Years
Andy Gordon	44 Years
Steve and Barbara Harrold	17 Years
Alex Haugland	2 Years
Donald and Leslie Jackson	26 Years
William Lloyd	2 Years
John Parkey	1 Year
Scott Pope	5 Years
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John and Darci Spetter	11 Years
Christopher Yeats	16 Years

New Members in August

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**Hooligan's "Super" Challenge Tour and
Quest for the Ultimate Calamari
The AROO Giulia Super Tour - September
15, 2018**

On September 15th, please join Marian and I and our **Hooligan** for a "Super", one day Oregon Coast tour and adventure.

AROO has more running and driven **Giulia Supers** than any other chapter in America, it is time for all of them to stand up and be counted. Let's drive them all on a fun adventure and tour to the Northern Oregon Coast.

Hooligan's tour will start at the southbound Rest Area on I-5 just past the Charbonneau Bridge. We will gather in the back parking lot at 9:00 am and try to be on the road by 9:30. Rally style instructions will be provided to each navigator. A full tank of gas is recommended as some places we will go are quite rural. All Alfas are welcome but the **Giulia Supers** will lead the tour, with everyone else to follow.

The tour will end mid afternoon at "**Schooner**" in Netarts just west of Tillamook, (just an hours run up the Wilson River Highway to Beaverton). **Schooner** is a quirky and wonderful seafood restaurant on Netarts bay. It features locally sourced produce, seafood and draft beer. Their **Calamari** with a lemon basil caper sauce is quite amazing.

Bring a snack as restaurants will be rare until we arrive in Netarts at the **Schooner** Restaurant.

Be "Super", Be a Hooligan, Be There!
Bill Gillham



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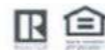
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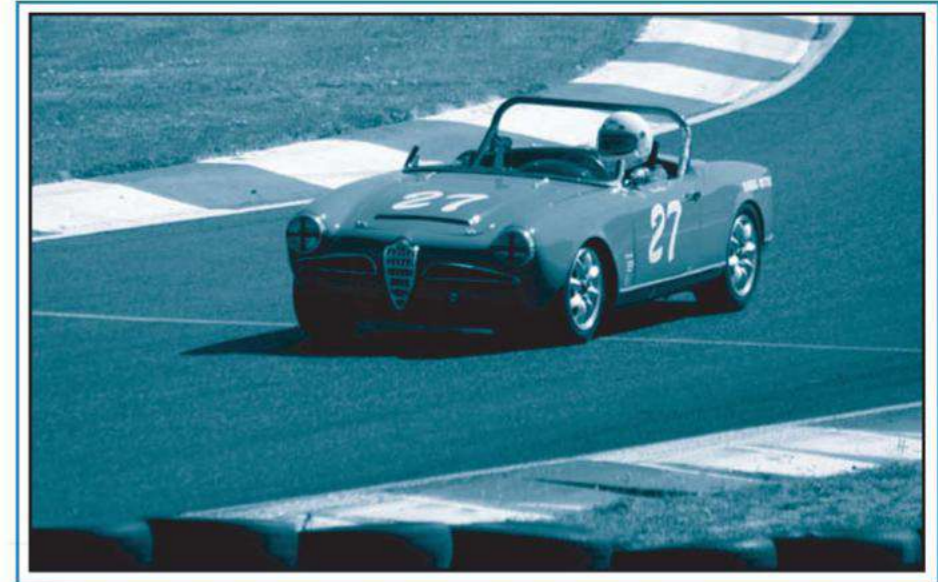
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Summer Tour — August 23–26, 2018

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Room blocks at the Best Western's in John Day and Lakeview, as well as My Place in Bend, expire July 20. It may be difficult to secure a bed thereafter so make you plans now!

Tour begins at 8:30 from Meinig Memorial Park in Sandy on August 23 and ends Sunday with lunch in Springfield. See recent Bits issues for details. If you cannot make the whole tour, consider joining us in Lakeview or Bend. Let Tom McGirr know if you will be joining us. tomsredalfa@gmail.com or 503-983-3656.



What a view!

Those that have been on one of my tours already know I try to incorporate at least one or two 'New to AROO' roads on my tours, which is a challenge in light of the number of tours AROO has done over the past 50 years! I think I have found a couple on this tour...at least we have not been on them recently so they may seem 'new' even if they are not.

Another thing I have enjoyed is incorporating interesting places to see along the tour. How many of us whiz by a sign to a landmark and say to ourselves "I wonder what that is?" We will be stopping at a few of these sites over the 4-day tour.

We will depart from Meinig Memorial Park in Sandy at 8:30 AM on our way to John Day. Our first 'interesting' stop will be the Museum at Warm Springs. I cannot tell you how many times I have

blown by here without stopping! I did some research online and it has rave reviews. Flush toilets are a bonus as well!

After having lunch in Prineville, rather than taking the customary Hwy 26 through Mitchell and the John Day Riverbeds, we will head SE onto "new to me" OR 360 Paulina Hwy through the metropolis of Post and stopping at Paulina County Store in Paulina for an ice cream and/or soda. Thereafter, we continue east on Paulina-Suplee Hwy before reaching our destination. We are staying at the Best



One of many Exhibits at Warm Springs Museum

Western with has an outside pool that will be appreciated after a potentially warm drive. Dinner will be at Snaffle Bit, home to some outstanding steaks (other stuff as well).



A hopping afternoon in Paulina. State Park

Friday our destination is Lakeview. If one is willing to take the less direct route, there are some interesting things (other than sage brush) to see along the way including the Malheur Bird Refuge, the French Glen Hotel (an old stage coach stop), and Fields Station, home of some of the best milkshakes and burgers in the world! We have eaten here before and they are really good! Being the dead of summer, there will not

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Summer Tour — August 23–26, 2018

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Imagine the stagecoach arriving.

be much to see at the refuge but we will take in French Glen and have lunch in Fields. After a day of fast, straight roads, a nice pool awaits our arrival at the Best Western.

Saturday will be a really scenic drive. Hwy 31 past Summer Lake is a great road. It will lead us to Fort Rock, a very cool crater that really looks like a big fort. We will learn a little about the history of the area during a visit to the Fort Rock Museum. After lunch in La Pine, we will drive the High Cascades Highway into Bend. Lodging will be at My Place, a newer hotel the Old Mill District. Dinner is up in the air but most likely Immersion Brewery in the Old Mill District (we can walk to).

Sunday you are welcome to join us as we work our way home. We will once again drive the High Cascade Highway *south* so as to enjoy the mountain and lake views from a different direction, then head

west on Hwy 58, stopping at Salt Creek Falls for a short break before arriving at Plank Town Tavern in Springfield for lunch which will be the end of the tour.

I encourage you to make your hotel reservations EARLY, especially in Bend. Multiple hotels and resorts I contacted in the middle of January were already full!

Please shoot me an email letting me know you are coming. I need to give the lunch and dinner houses an idea of how many are coming.

Questions? Give me a call or e-mail me. Tom McGirr, 503-983-3656, tomsredalfa@gmail.com



I 'discovered' this place planning a tour several years ago. I will not tell you how many times I had blown by.



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Fall Tour to the Beach

October 6-7



The Fall Tour

is planned for the first weekend in October. It will depart from Salem's Waterfront Park at next to the Carousal at 9AM with the destination being Lincoln City with ETA around 1PM.

The tour is designed so it can be done as a *one-day tour or an overnigher*. I have found some cool back roads to the coast beginning with a trip through Buena Vista and a ride across the Ferry of the same name! After crossing into Polk County, we drive many of their designated 'scenic highways' over to Fort Hoskin's State Park. From there, we find some 'new to Tom' roads (a rarity) which take us over Summit Hwy, through Eddyville and Logsdan to *Moonshine* County Park (wonder if there is a story there?). We will have a late lunch at the Dory Cove (GREAT fish and chips and I like their chowder WAY more than Mo's). After lunch, folks can tour the local county museum to learn about the local history before check-in or hit the beach early.

We are staying at the Surftides Oceanfront Motel. After check-in, you can enjoy a long beach walk or their pool prior to Happy Hour and dinner which is

planned at Kylo's Seafood Grill.

I only blocked 10 rooms, as I have to 'guarantee' 80%. Hence, I would suggest if you are leaning towards going, call and make your reservations NOW and cancel if you can not go. If we blow through the room guarantee, you still should be able to get a room there, or at a nearby motel.

WARNING: The first 7 motels I called were **ALREADY COMPLETELY FULL** for the weekend of Oct. 6 and I called in mid-January! **Snooze, lose.**

There will be an informal tour Sunday back to Salem with some wine tasting at Arcane Winery (very decent wines for a very reasonable price!) and a late lunch at Santiam Brewing (food supplied by Blacksheep Catering next door).

Please drop me a note if you sign up. I can give the restaurants a head's up.

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2019 Alfa Wannabe Tour — VANCOUVER ISLAND

It's official! We are off to Canada once again. This tour will feature mountains, old growth rain forests, fabulous beaches, the Butchart Gardens, and even Orca whales. When you throw in fine lodges, excellent food and wine and great roads, it sounds like a recipe for a grand tour.

Tour will depart from Portland and head to Port Angeles where we stay at the Olympic Lodge- <http://www.olympiclodge.com>. Monday we have reserved space on the 8:15 ferry to Victoria. Upon debarking, we will drive the Scenic Marine Route around the Victoria waterfront, ranked by Tripadvisor as the #5 activity out of 202 things to do in Victoria. After having lunch at a waterfront restaurant, we head to Cowichan Bay and Oceanfront Suites- <http://oceanfrontcowichanbay.com>.



On Day 3, after checking out some of the 41 Totem Poles in Duncan, we head to the Pacific Rim National Park. Along the way, we will walk among giant cedars and an ancient forest over 800 years old. Next we learn about the Native Nuu-chah-nulth people at the Kwisitis Visitor Centre and enjoy a choice of several short walks to the beach.

We stay two nights at Long Beach Lodge, a truly

spectacular facility located on the beach in Torfino- <https://www.longbeachlodgeresort.com>.



The second full day in Torino envisions little or no driving. Rather, we will explore some more beaches and a short rain forest walk in and around Torfino and have time to take in the town and its many fine art galleries and shops.

Day 5 we head to Port McNeill and Historic Telegraph Cove and stay at Telegraph Cove Resort <https://telegraphcoveresort.com> where we will rest up for our 5 hour Orca (and other whales, eagles, bear, moose and wildlife) sight-seeing trip on the boat below. In that this will be in inland waters, the seas will be smooth.

Our final day in Canada is in Butchart Gardens. We will have time to explore the grounds in the afternoon, then retreat to our retreat on the ocean, Brentwood Bay Resort and Spa- <https://www.brentwoodbayresort.com>. After dinner, you are invited to enjoy the gardens at night...a very different and special experience.

Day 8 has us boarding the ferry to Port Angeles at 10:30. You will have a choice of driving home that day or joining the rest of us on a short drive to Lake Quinault Lodge in the Olympic Rain Forest where we have lake front rooms reserved. You can take a short walk in the rain forest or curl up in a chair and enjoy the peace and solitude of this special place. Day 9 we all go home.

I am taking reservations for this tour now. As in the past, rooms will be assigned in accord to the date of registration. I am estimating the cost for 8 nights lodging, most meals, whale watching fare, R/T ferry, Butchart Garden and taxes to be in the neighborhood of \$3600/

couple (unless Canada imposes a surcharge on US visitors in retaliation for Trump's tariff frenzy). If you elected to skip Lake Quinault, you can knock off around \$500.

There is a cap of 20 couples/40 folks. Because August is the busiest time of the year on Vancouver Island (and the best weather), the resorts will require full payment 90 days in advance which will be in early May. Several will be requesting a substantial deposit in the next few weeks to hold the reservation. One resort has only granted a room block of 15 rooms with the possibility of adding more on a 'space available' basis, so if you can let me know EARLY you want to come, I can work around this potential hiccup.

I will need to make reservations for the ferry much earlier to insure we can all get on the ferry, so take a look at your calendars, block out the time, and let me know if you intend to come.

I need to ask for a \$750/couple deposit to cover my Visa advances. Cancellations ok up to 90 days before the event...then it is up to you to find a replacement to get a refund.

Let me know if you have questions. If you have other friends who might be interested in joining us, let me know. Happy to add them to the master e-mail list.

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PS: Still have room on the Alfa Romeo Summer Tour August 23-26 to Central/Eastern Oregon as well as an overnight trip to the coast on October 6-7. Inquire if interested.





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*Evening tour
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Alfa Tour and Dinner.

When: Aug. 15th. Our Wed. night. Meet at 5:30 leave at 6 pm.

Where: [MAP DIRECTIONS HERE.](#)

Starting point: Meet in the parking lot close to the southwest end of the Scholls Ferry/Murry Shopping Center. Gather in the area west of the liquor store and Jamba Juice, near 14845 SW Scholls Ferry Road and the light at SW 147th. There is a Starbucks close by to the east for coffee and restrooms and a Chevron station to the west a block or so for fuel and more restrooms.

Length: The total distance for the drive is about 53 miles, and takes about 1 1/2 hours.

The end point: We finish at McMenamin's Rock Creek Tavern for a no-host dinner at 10000 NW Old Cornelius Pass Road, Hillsboro, 503-645-3822.

Tour Leader: Rick Martin

Tour details: Clear rally style instructions will be provided to each participant.



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Fall Tour — August 23–26, 2018



What a view!

Those that have been on one of my tours already know I try to incorporate at least one or two ‘New to AROO’ roads on my tours, which is a challenge in light of the number of tours AROO has done over the past 50 years! I think I have found a couple on this tour...at least we have not been on them recently so they may seem ‘new’ even if they are not.

Another thing I have enjoyed is incorporating interesting places to see along the tour. How many of us whiz by a sign to a landmark and say to ourselves “I wonder what that is?” We will be stopping at a few of these sites over the 4-day tour.

We will depart from Meinig Memorial Park in Sandy at 8:30 AM on our way to John Day. Our first ‘interesting’ stop will be the Museum at Warm Springs. I cannot tell you how many times I have

blown by here without stopping! I did some research online and it has rave reviews. Flush toilets are a bonus as well!

After having lunch in Prineville, rather than taking the customary Hwy 26 through Mitchell and the John Day Riverbeds, we will head SE onto “new to me” OR 360 Paulina Hwy through the metropolis of Post and stopping at Paulina County Store in Paulina for an ice cream and/or soda. Thereafter, we continue east on Paulina-Suplee Hwy before reaching our destination. We are staying at the Best



One of many Exhibits at Warm Springs Museum

Western with has an outside pool that will be appreciated after a potentially warm drive. Dinner will be at Snaffle Bit, home to some outstanding steaks (other stuff as well).



A hopping afternoon in Paulina. State Park

Friday our destination is Lakeview. If one is willing to take the less direct route, there are some interesting things (other than sage brush) to see along the way including the Malheur Bird Refuge, the French Glen Hotel (an old stage coach stop), and Fields Station, home of some of the best milkshakes and burgers in the world! We have eaten here before and they are really good! Being the dead of summer, there will not

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AROC Goes to the US Grand Prix —

October 18-22, 2018

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DAY 1 – Thursday, Oct.18

Check into the Downtown Austin Sheraton Hotel by 2:00pm. Our private coach whisks us out for our first look at the ‘state of the art’ COTA circuit. At 4:00pm, we take a Pit Walk, meet the teams, drivers and a fantastic opportunity to get those prized photographs. Then it’s back to the City Center for a ‘Welcome Dinner’ where we are joined by a celebrity guest.

DAY 2 – Friday, Oct.19

This morning at leisure in Austin, then at 12 Noon, it’s back to the circuit for the afternoon Formula 1 Practice Session, our first look at the Sauber Alfa Romeo team in action. Our seating offers a choice at either Turn1 or Turn 15, two great viewing opportunities. This evening we are planning cocktail and canapés with fellow Alfistis, the location is yet to be announced.

DAY 3 – Saturday, Oct. 20

An early start this morning. It’s Qualifying today, and while there is plenty of racing going on during the day, nothing will come close to the always exciting Qualifying round. After the days racing, there’s a Concert at the track.

Headliners have yet to be announced. Past years have seen Justin Timberlake and Taylor Swift. You may prefer to return to the city center and enjoy a meal at a myriad of r



restaurants or get involved with a country music venue Austin is famous for.

DAY 4 – Sunday, Oct 21

The big day! This morning we head out to the track. Plenty of time to get involved with the pre-race build up. Check out the track vendors and take in the excitement. As race time gets closer, so does the intensity. The anthem, the jet fly by and the engines roar to life. They’re off! Whether it’s your first F1 or one hundredth this is a moment you never forget. Following the race and celebrations, we return to the hotel for a no host Happy Hour.

DAY 5 – Monday, Oct 22

It’s departure day. Check out is 12 Noon. We’ll be there to see everyone off. Our first trip to the USGP has come to an end.

WHAT’S INCLUDED? 4 nights at the Downtown Sheraton Hilton including Buffet Breakfasts and complimentary Wi-Fi; welcome dinner; three days private coach transportation to and from track; evening cocktails and canapés with fellow Alfisti; final night post-race no host gathering; two free concerts at the track; Thursday pit walk; three days prime seating in Turn 1 or Turn 15 (see seating

options below); AROC jacket and cap; accompanied by AROC President Cindy Banzer and tour organizer Steve Austin; all tips and taxes.

WHAT’S NOT INCLUDED – Tour starts and ends at the Downtown Sheraton Hotel - your Air arrangements are not included. This is a major international event. Be sure to make your flight bookings early.

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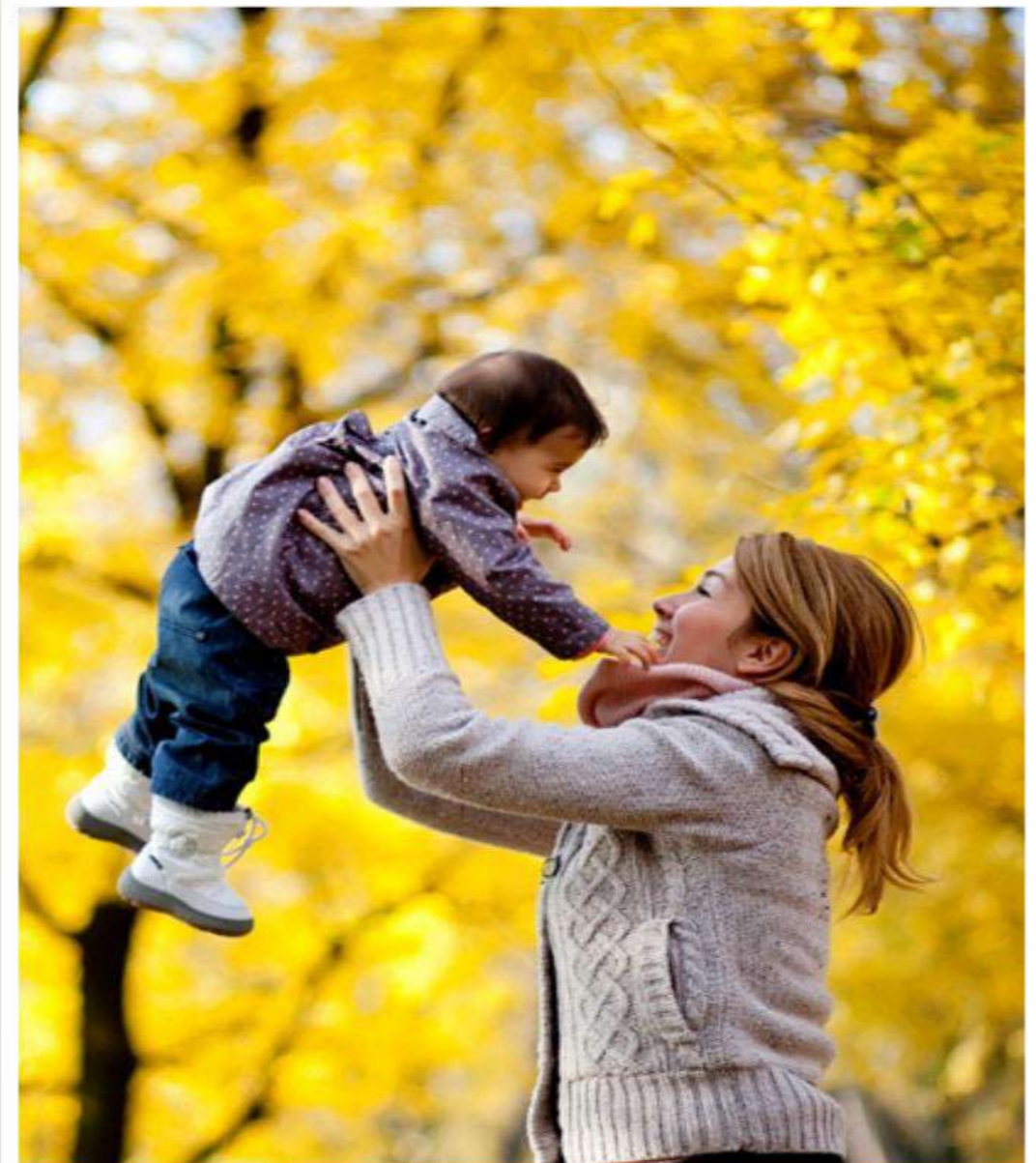
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