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## Old Super Tour



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FROM THE EDITOR

Photo Cliff Brunk

### Old Super Tour 2018

Greetings.

This month we have a nice write-up about the Old Super Tour provided by organizer and tour leader Bill Gillham. Scheyenne Tunick and Dave Beach provided some nice photos to accompany the article.

I was not able to attend the tour but I did manage to get my Giulietta out for a nice 50 mile jaunt in the foothills near where I live. As always, I like to top up the tank afterwards to keep the moisture at bay. But this time while parked in the garage the daytime temperature was warm enough to expand the fuel in the tank and I discovered I had a leak on top of the tank where the vent/return tube connects — I could smell gas in the garage and saw a small puddle. So now I will need to drain a FULL tank, remove it, and have it repaired and repainted. Who said a restoration is never finished?

Cheers,

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### ALFA BITS

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### 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 Driver's Seat- October 2018 – End of the Year Business — Doug Zaitz



## Openings for the AROO BoD

October brings us towards the close of our very active 2018. Remaining on our collective agenda are a couple of general membership meetings, a couple of celebratory dinners, and the nomination and election of five AROO board members.

There are 10 positions on our AROO Board of Directors, with five elected positions staggered every two years. This year we have four retiring Board members, and one running for re-election. Doing the math, the Board needs no less than four nominees for this term.

AROO's Board conducts its business in monthly meetings, held on the first Wednesday of the month, except for December and July. Meetings are generally 90 minutes in length, and can be attended in person (at a local restaurant in Portland)

or via video conference (we use Zoom) – so members do not need to attend our Board meetings in person. This format works very well for the national board, so we have adopted for our local chapter as well.

Your participation is allows the club to be as active as it is – please consider volunteering for a position on our Board!

The October General Meeting will be on Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>. Our planned program will be a short slide show of this year's AROC Goes to Italy tour and the Sempreverde2018 Convention in Olympia. We want to thank our volunteer photographers!

I will miss this month's general meeting, as I am going to Austin, Texas for the inaugural AROC Goes to USGP, along with Chris Bright and Cindy Banzer. We have nearly 60 AROC members participating in this event, welcoming the return of Alfa Romeo to Formula 1 racing. The tour will include fantastic seating for the multiple races that weekend, as well as pit passes and opportunities to meet with the Sauber Alfa Romeo F1 Team.

AROO's annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner is planned for Sunday evening, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm. We will be hosting a Brewpub dinner featuring excellent pizza, beer and wine, and are planning a private tour of the brewing facilities. Join us at the brand-new facilities of Migration Brewery, located at 18188 NE Wilkes Road, Portland, OR 97230 – take the 181<sup>st</sup> Avenue exit from I-84; the brewery is one block south of the exit on the left.

We would like to invite all members who volunteered for any AROO activities to this event. This is our annual "thank-you" to all of our unselfish and dedicated volunteers, with whom we are able to host so many events for our members.

The November General Meeting will be on **Tuesday November 20<sup>th</sup>** – note this one-time change – and will feature our annual Board election and the always-fun Annual Auction. Remember to bring your unwanted items for donation to the auction, and bring your checkbooks too! This is one of AROO's primary fundraising events, and helps subsidize our Holiday Dinner Party.

While we are still a few months out, be sure to mark your calendars for the annual AROO Holiday Dinner on Sunday evening, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, more details will follow next month. We will again be at the Multnomah Athletic Club for an excellent meal, fun year-end program, presentation of AROO's Volunteer of the Year award, and presentation of the AROO Cup Rally awards.



**AROO BoB September Meeting Minutes****Date:** Wednesday, September 5 2018**Time:** 7:10 pm - 8:22 pm**Location:** Buster's BBQ (the back room), 11419 SW Pacific Hwy (99W), Tigard, OR 97223

Present: Doug Zaitz, Chris Bright, Banzer, Tom Burnett, Mark Carpenter, John Clemson, Roger Dilts, Jim Gunter, Sue Halton, Jerry Lomas, and Bob Stevens.

**President Doug Zaitz opened the meeting at 7:25PM.**

1. **Minutes** (Sue Halton, Secretary) Chris Bright moved to approve the Minutes as corrected. The Motion was seconded and passed.

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

- A. Cindy Banzer emailed the treasurer's report to Board members.
- B. The discussion of the treasurer's report was tabled until October.

**3. Past Events Reports**

A. **NWCMR #30** (Jim Gunter)

- 1. Financials
  - a. The Rally made at least \$8000, although not all bills have been paid. Mar Carpenter pointed out that many volunteers paid for items and have not turned in their expenses.
  - b. The tour raised \$975 for the March of Dimes. Next month the Board will decide on how much extra we will donate.
  - c. \$2000 has been transferred to the AROO.
  - d. \$5000 had been previously transferred to the AROO to pay for the 50<sup>TH</sup> anniversary celebration. Should the remainder be transferred back to the Rally account?
- 2. The Rally account is being transferred from the previous treasurer to the new treasurer, John Clemson. The Rally uses Quick Books.
- 3. We have complete transparency in our financials for the last three years.
- 4. The Rally has \$32000 in the bank.

B. **August Evening Tour**

- 1. Was lots of fun. There were 20 to 30 cars.

2. There were a few hiccups.

- a. There was confusion on the exit times causing at least one participant who missed the whole event.
- b. The Brew Pub was not prepared for so many people.

C. **Superverse**

- 1. Was very successful. Many Board members attended.
- 2. Fred Wright had a heart attack at Track Day, but is now ok.
- 3. There is a request for the statistics for the Gimmick Rally. Doug will post the information.

**4. Upcoming Event Reports**

A. September General Membership Meeting

- 1. Photo display from the Rally. Doug will run the 20-minute slide show.
- 2. Chris will call the spaghetti factory and bring the projector. He will change one dish on the menu.

B. Old Super Tour – DATE CHANGE

- 1. New date September 29<sup>th</sup>.

C. Volunteer Dinner

- 1. Date: Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup>.
- 2. Location: to be announced. Cindy and Doug will discuss a new location. Ernesto's is under new management and too expensive.

D. The Ground still has four spots open out of 60.

E. The Holiday Dinner will be held December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

F. Palm Desert event: Doug urged members to attend

- 1. The dates are January 18-20, 2019.
- 2. Make reservations at the Best Western Hotel in Palm Desert, California.

G. AROC Goes to Italy 2019 is full. Doug urged members to sign up for 2020.

*Continued next page.*

**AROO BoB September Meeting Minutes***Continued***5. Membership Report** (Bob Stevens, Chair)

- A. Total membership: 188

**6. Merchandise Report** (Jerry Lomas, Chair)

- A. Everything will cost \$40, plus shipping charges which are not yet determined.
- B. Doug will do a new page with pictures and an order form on the website before Christmas.
- C. Jerry will bring samples to the September meeting. He will be able to take orders.

**7. Trailer**

- A. Is at Fred and Lisa's. It can be moved to Bill Gillam's if they wish.
- B. Sale of trailer: see discussion of Track Day under New Business.
- C. Discussing of the sale of the trailer was tabled.

**8. AROO Calendar, Website & Emailings Report** (Doug Zaitz)

- A. 2018 AROO website and calendar are up to date.
- B. Rally website is prepared for next year.
  - 1. Top 10 results for this year will be posted.
  - 2. Link to request individual scores.

**9. General Membership Meetings**

- A. October – Neil suggested a Monterey and Convention slide show.
- B. November – Auction and Election. Need to elect 5 Board members, and choose new Officers.
- C. Christmas party – December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

**10. New Business**

- A. Track Day – Mark Carpenter would like to do a Track Day.
  - 1. Lotus sponsored an event this weekend – perhaps we could join them next year if they are not fully subscribed, or perhaps make it a two-day event.
  - 2. Mark will discuss a joint venture with the Lotus people.

- 3. If we do a Track Day we need to keep the trailer.

- 4. A Track Day takes 20-30 volunteers.

**B. Indie Car Races**

- 1. Held on Labor Day.
- 2. This year had about 45000 attendees.
- 3. Suggested AROO or AROC might like to organize an event, or consider sponsoring a chalet.

**11. 31<sup>st</sup> NW Classic Motorcar Rally**

- A. We have 28 registrations.
- B. This weekend Doug will email information on the Rally to our email lists from the last 3 years and to the National AROC membership.
- C. August 1-4, 2019 is the probable date.
- D. Hotel RL in Olympia, Washington will be used for accommodation. Doug is working on the contract, estimating 100 cars, 100 rooms, and 30 volunteer rooms.
- E. Possible sponsors will be discussed: Jaguar of Portland and Ron Tonkin will be discussed. Mark Carpenter agreed to be on the sponsorship committee. He said Buranoff would also like to be on a committee.

**12. 32<sup>st</sup> NW Classic Motorcar Rally**

- A. Ideas for hotels: Salishan, Astoria Hotel, Canary Pier, Oregon Gardens (need more than main hotel), Eagle Crest.
- B. Chris Bright will help.
- C. Other possible locations: The Dalles, Newport. Behind Mt. Hood.

**13. Meeting adjourned at 8:22.**

# Alfa in the News -

## Alfa Romeo's Reborn, 700-Plus-HP 8C Coupe



Our rendering of the mid-engined 8C provides a good look at the upcoming Italian stallion.

### Alfa Romeo's Reborn, 700-Plus-HP 8C Coupe: Here's What We Know

June 22, 2018 AT 9:11 AM By Connor Hoffman Photos By Alberto Alquati Illustrations By Christian Schulte.

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**What It Is:** Alfa Romeo's reborn flagship 8C sports car, which is scheduled to make its debut by 2022, this time featuring a mid-mounted powertrain. A few weeks ago, Alfa's parent company, Fiat Chrysler Automobiles, [released a new five-year plan for the brand](#) that confirmed the 8C plus a new Giulia-based GTV coupe and two new SUVs to bracket the Stelvio. Now our artists have produced a rendering of the 8C—

Quadrifoglio badge and all—and if the production sports car looks anything like this, it'll be everything we hoped and more.

**Why It Matters:** Alfa Romeo is in the middle of yet another turbulent period, and its comeback effort of the past few years remains ongoing. The Giulia and Giulia Quadrifoglio sedans won a spot on [our 10Best Cars roster](#) this year, and the Stelvio Quadrifoglio crossover made our [2018 Editors' Choice list](#). The 8C, however, will serve as the Italian automaker's halo car and performance



benchmark; it won't sell in very high numbers, but it will generate publicity and ideally bring in prospective customers who will buy more affordable products. There's also the small matter of the 8C badge's prominent place in Alfa history; this car will have some big shoes to fill.

**Platform:** All we know so far is that the 8C, like [the soon-to-die 4C](#), will utilize a lightweight carbon-fiber monocoque chassis. Unlike the 4C, it will deliver power to all four

wheels, allowing Alfa's engineers the freedom to pile on the horsepower in search of some serious performance numbers.

**Powertrain:** Unlike its immediate 8C predecessors—the Competizione coupe and Spider roadster—the new model will be powered by a mid-mounted twin-turbocharged V-8 that will team with an electric motor on the front axle. So, yeah, it'll be a hybrid. It's likely that the V-8 will be a 3.8-liter unit sourced from Maserati. Alfa said that, combined, the two power sources will produce more than 700 horsepower and send the sports car from zero to 62 mph in less than three seconds.

**Competition:** [Acura NSX](#), [Ferrari 488GTB](#), [Mercedes-AMG GT](#), [Tesla Roadster](#).

**Estimated Arrival and Price:** FCA has been rather quiet on details about the new Alfa. However, we expect the 8C to be released sometime after 2020—FCA says it'll be here by 2022—and cost \$250,000 or more.



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Board Meeting at Buster's Barbecue in Tigard at 7 PM  
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509-768-4312.

## **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.

28 AROO Volunteer Appreciation Dinner (See page 29).

### **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 October & welcome new members.

### Member Anniversaries in October

John Arscott & Janet McCreary	38 Years
Alessandro Carrara	1 Year
Robert & Kathleen Ellis	1 Year
Bruce Fogerty	19 Years
Bill Foster	1 Year
Mary Gagliardi	1 Year
Ron Gotcher	1 Year
Jack Graham	1 Year
Jeff Gretz	5 Years
<b>Dean Hanson</b>	<b>50 Years*</b>
Christopher Keen	1 Year
John Lucas	1 Year
Dennis & Pat Pillar	38 Years
David & Penny Rossman	21 Years
Allen & Debra Rossman	32 Years
Philip Weaver	19 Years

*\*Special Congratulations to Dean*

### New Members in October

Kevin Gray & Athene ChurchillGray  
Bruno Nicoletti  
Dan Walkowski



# The Red Duetto Tour

The 2018 edition of the Red Duetto Tour

By Fred McNabb



*Fred McNabb photos*

The 2018 edition of the Red Duetto Tour took place on Thursday, September 13 with 6 red Duetto's, Gunter, K. Martin, McNabb, Pillar, Rugh, and Trummel lined up and ready to go. It all started at an I-5 rest area in Washington north of Vancouver. There are a lot of interesting roads besides I-5 in Clark and Cowlitz counties and we covered only a few of them. Our first stop was the Cedar Creek Grist Mill located next to a covered bridge. After a photo session we moved on to

some more country roads eventually crossing the one lane bridge over the Lewis river. Driving on SR 503 West got us to Woodland and we turned North into the hills above Woodland. Some of the tour was on old Hwy 99 but we also were up on the bluff overlooking the Columbia river. We wound our way down into Kalama for lunch at the new McMenamin's Kalama Lodge Hotel sitting at the river's edge. After lunch and a short tour of the building we continued on our



tour by reversing our direction back to Woodland. The tour ended at the Oak Tree parking lot.

The Red Duetto Tour is for only red round tail spiders. It has run for about 15 years and has as many as eleven cars, although six to eight is the more usual number. Any one interested in taking part should contact Fred and Lisa McNabb at [flmcnabb@yahoo.com](mailto:flmcnabb@yahoo.com) for more information.

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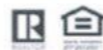
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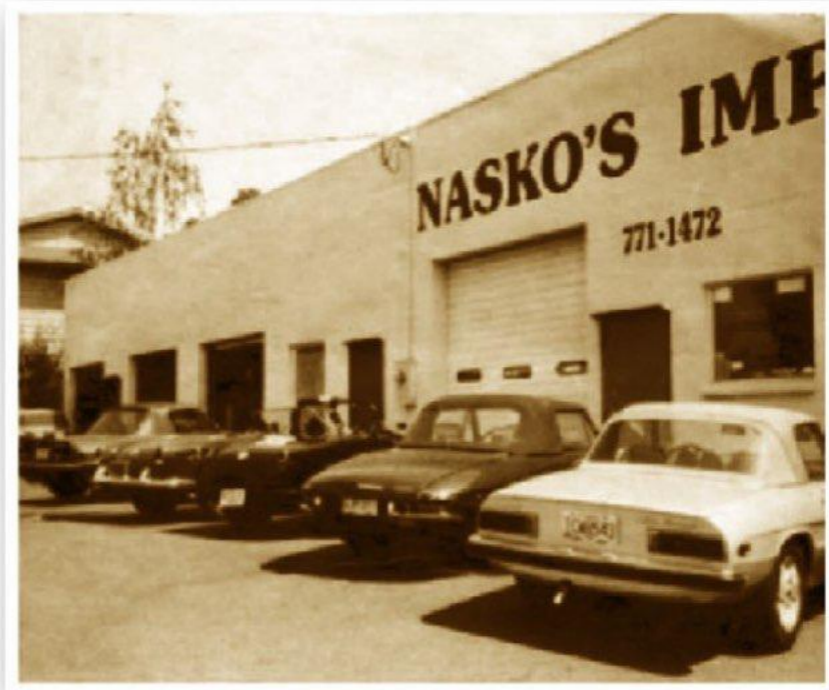


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# 2018 Old Super Tour

## "Hooligan's Challenge Tour and Hunt for the Ultimate Calamari"



*Dave Beach photo*

September 29, 9:30 AM, 16 Alfas and about 30 adventurous Alfesti met Marian and I at the South bound Charbonneau Rest Area on I-5 to start the tour. 4 miles of freeway got us to the Donald / Aurora Exit and the start of a "two lane blacktop" adventure through the fields, vineyards, hop yards and fall colors of the Willamette Valley. The weather had remained warmish but the Oregon gray sky showed up right on time with the arrival of autumn.

Leading the pack of Alfas were 6 Giulia Supers all polished and ready to run. Our first stop was in Wheatland to queue up for the Wheatland Ferry, which took us across the Willamette River to our first rest stop at the Maud Williams Recreation Area, just a mile from the ferry. It was a well timed break. At the Rest Area we were joined by my friend Andy Smith in his custom '53 Chevy. Andy and his dad have been my upholsterers since 1977. Andy got to

see some of the cars his father did 30+ years ago. After a bit of rest and tire kicking we got underway again.

Next stop was the Fort Yamhill Rest Area near Grand Ronde, It is an interesting historical and cultural site. A great Photo Op and more tire kicking. From Fort Yamhill we followed the Yamhill River and the little Nestucca River to Pacific City and the Three Capes Scenic Loop. The rain started with a drizzle in Oceanside, it would rain for the remainder of the tour. Despite the late rain, the roads were great and there was almost no traffic. Great driving



*Scheyenne Tunick photo*

all the way, Doug Klein didn't even put the Giulietta's top up!

Stopping at the Schooner Restaurant only a few of us could be seated because they were short staffed (despite previous arrangements). Those who got



*Scheyenne Tunick photo*

seated were treated to the usual Schooner excellent fare. The rest of us scattered and found great seafood elsewhere, in the area, except for one Super driver and his son who found out that the legendary excellence of Portland food carts hadn't made it to Tillamook.

Marian and I drove home in the rain. Our tour Jefferson to Jefferson was 251 miles, the final 110 in a pouring rain. Hooligan never missed a beat, and the wipers even managed to keep the rain off so we could see. I think I have finally found the electrical gremlin that haunted him in Olympia. All it took was rewiring the fuse box! Hooligan's Vintage Air heater and defroster unit is a real treat compared to the original '67 Alfa heater box. Unfoggy windows are a treat!

We had a great time, restaurant glitch and all. You really can't miss when you get good friends with their cars together and drive. Now if we could just get the other 5 or 6 Supers in the Club to join us. Imagine 12 Supers! (You listening Beach? It's your turn next year!)

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Bill and Marian Gillham**



*Old Super Tour. Scheyenne Tunick photo.*



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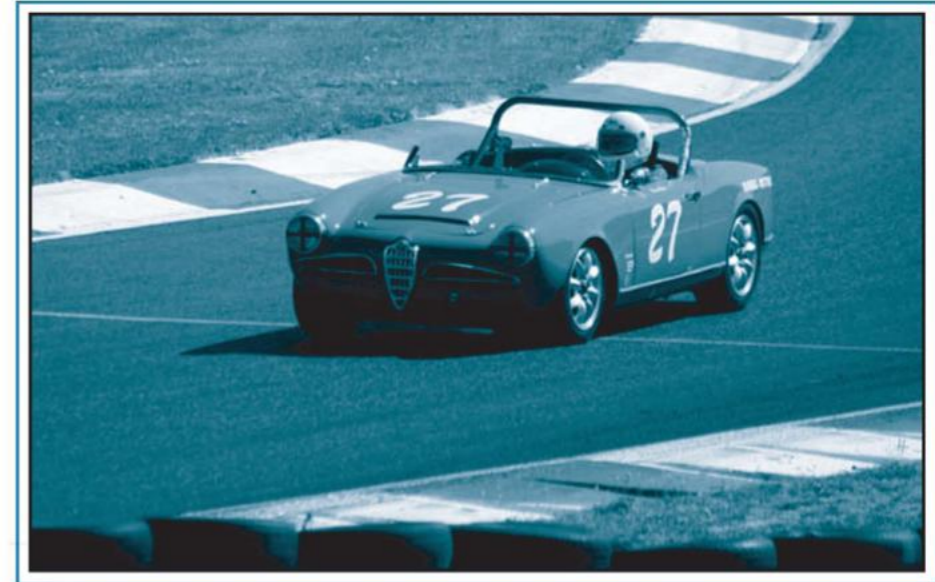
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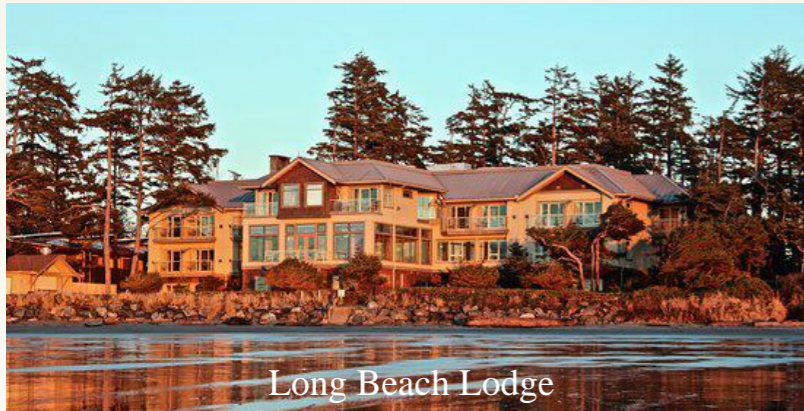
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## 2019 Alfa Wannabe Tour — VANCOUVER ISLAND

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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# GENERAL MEETING

## The Old Spaghetti Factory

0715 SW Bancroft St Portland, OR 97239



**This month's General Meeting will be on Wednesday, October 17th, at the Old Spaghetti Factory.**

The October General Meeting will be on Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>. Our planned program will be a short slide show of this year's AROC Goes to Italy tour and the Sempreverde2018 Convention in Olympia. We want to thank our volunteer photographers!

Please join us early for social hour at 6:30, dinner at 7:00 and program at 7:30 pm.



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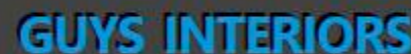
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# AROC Goes to the US Grand Prix —

**October 18-22, 2018**

## ITINERARY

### *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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## Words of Wisdom - Alfa Romeo Collecting

Noted by: Dave Beach 09/25/18

Notes taken at the Sempreverde AROC convention, August 11, 2018, from a forum of noted collectors, Jon Shirley and Dave Smith:

### Jon Shirley:

1. ownership chain must be known
2. keep documentation library
3. be patient; outlast people
4. Italy has ALL licensing history
5. talk to original owners before they pass away; be "likeable"
6. "Right of first refusal"; get witness

### Dave Smith:

1. read books to get educated
2. car has to be beautiful AND special
3. verify it's claimed history
4. restore to "period correct"
5. put out word that you are available with \$\$\$
6. advance your "reputation"
7. often say "yes", then get inspection to keep foot in door (before others snatch)

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# AROO's annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

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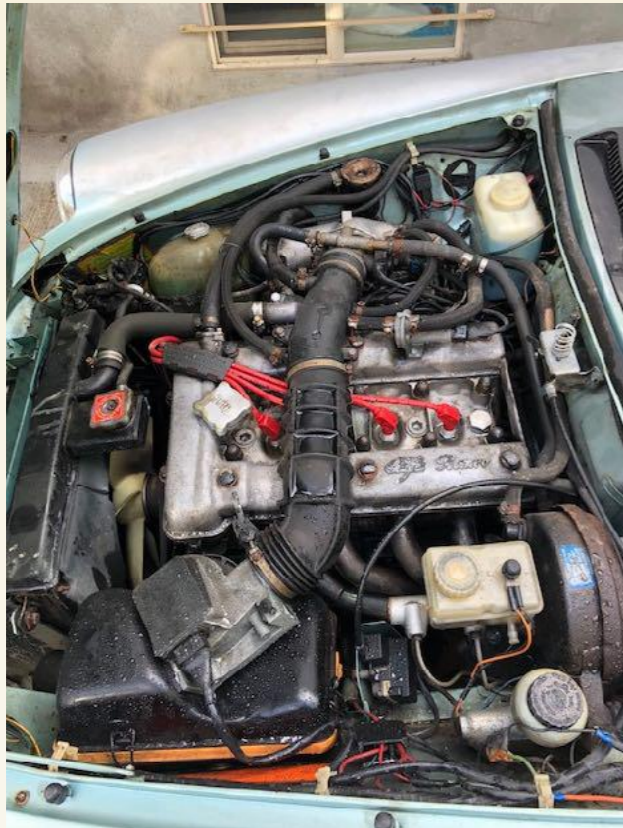
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