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FROM THE EDITOR

Photo Cliff Brunk

Articles wanted!

I'd love to have your input for the newsletter – even if it's just a photo with a caption, or a paragraph or two. To be honest, short articles with more photos are easier to work with than multipage stories (although I'll take those too!). So if you just bought a new to you Alfa, or other cool car, or did something car related you'd like to share, please do! Send me an email with your photos and text and I'll do the rest.

As for format of your submissions, I'd rather have any photographs attached to the email and NOT embedded into the document itself. Also, if your submission is short, just type it in the body of the email. If it's longer, I can usually open just about any type of word processing document. My computer is a PC and MS Word is my default editor. Any questions, just send me an email!

If you want to contact me my email address is james.parker@alfaclub.org.

James Parker

Alfa Bits Editor

ALFA BITS

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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.

February 2022 – Chris Bright In the Driver's Seat



Off to a Fast Start!!

It's hard to believe that January has come and gone already. Although a lot happened, it seemed to pass in an instant!

On Wednesday, January 26, we had a veritable homecoming at the Old Spaghetti Factory with the first in-person monthly meeting in nearly two years. Even though we had a chance to gather for the Holiday Party, this felt like a return to normal. The Spaghetti Factory's warm sourdough loaves never tasted so good!

There were many familiar faces with well over 30 members attending in-person and virtually. New to the scene was Tom Gammons of Portland, who just joined AROO and arrived in his 2017 *madreperla* (pearl white) 4C. Quite an entrance! We also welcomed Andy Gordon who has been a member of AROO since 1974, but now resides a bit further afield in Anchorage, AK.

Our special guest was Kyle Francis, the Regional Manager for Hagerty. He attended virtually and shared with us the big plans that Hagerty is working towards. Hagerty is expanding so they not only insure our prized cars, but also ensure that we continue to have events and places to enjoy them at! We'll continue to lobby to get a Hagerty clubhouse garage in Portland!

The evening ended with a virtual game show hosted by Patrick Iaboni. He used an online quiz called Kahoot! – and it was so fun! Patrick put together a fun and challenging quiz, with both softballs and deep cuts. Now that it passed its “clinical trial,” Patrick has promised to bring it back, and a prize to keep it interesting!

Only three days later, we headed up I-5 for a day trip to the LeMay Museum in Tacoma, which is covered in a detailed article. It gave us another opportunity to get out, plus we connected with quite a few NWARC members.

Spring will be here before we know it. The year's first driving event is the Valentine's Tour on February 13th, then 4 short weeks later is the first AROO Cup.

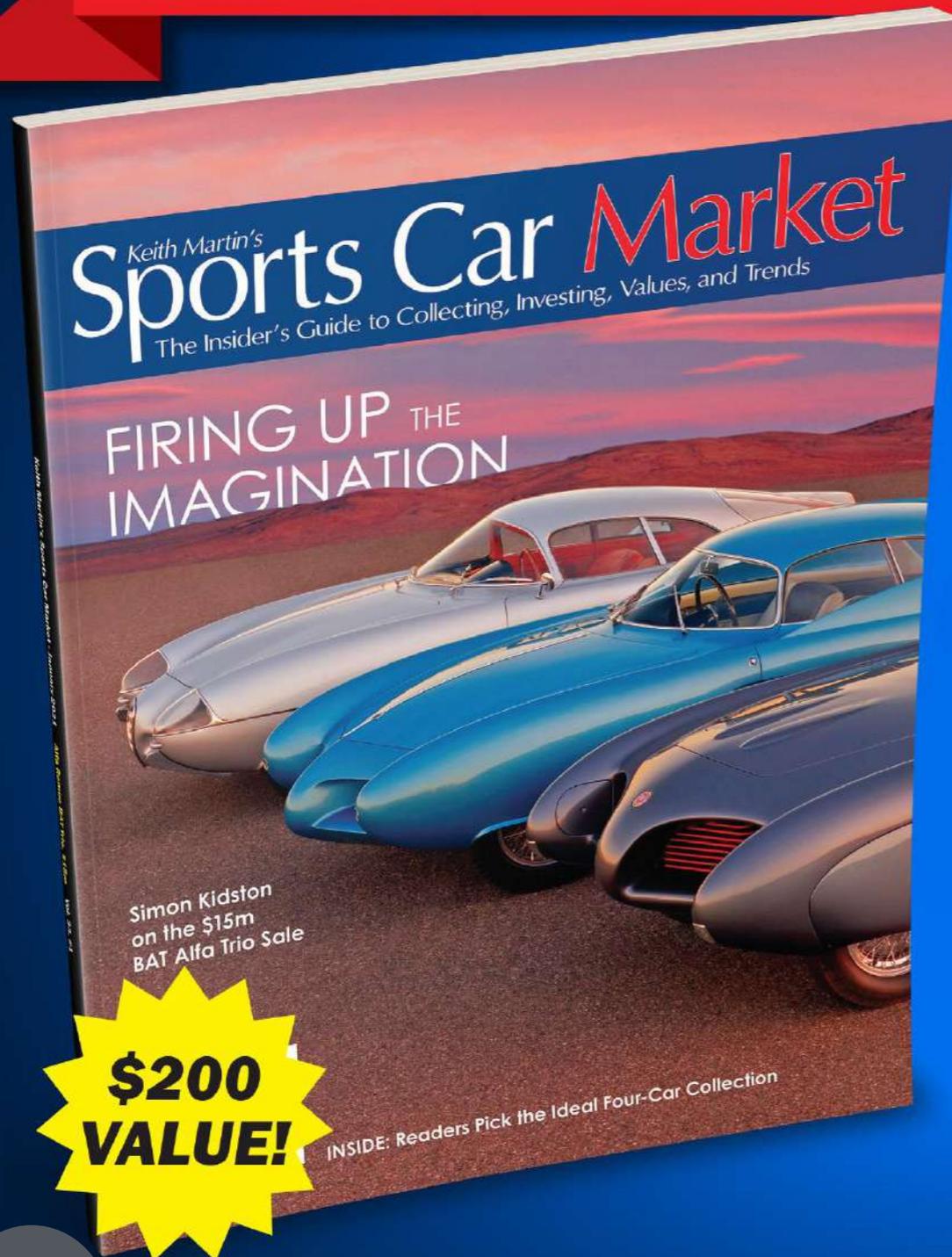
Time to pop the hood on your Alfa Romeo. Check your fluids, change your wiper blades, inflate your tires, and ready your maintenance and emergency kit. We are going to have tons of opportunities to use them, so make sure your ride is ready!

See you on the roads,
Chris

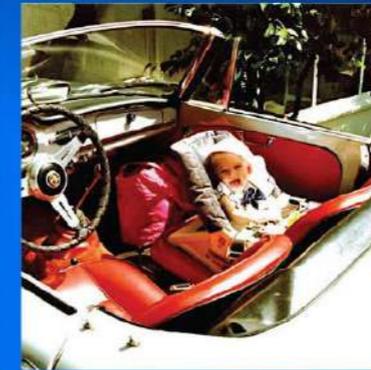
I welcome your suggestions and feedback! Contact me at chris.bright@alfaclub.org.



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Bradley Martin circa 2008. Alexandra Martin-Banzer circa 1992.
Both in 1965 Giulia Spider Veloce, S/N 390290

Martin and his 1958 750E Sprint
Veloce "Confortavole"

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Board Retired but Not Forgotten

By John Clemson

It has been a pleasure serving you all as a board member. It may be a first, but I have as many years as a board member as I have been a member (4). I may have retired from the board but will still be a part of the Alfa Club as a volunteer and active member capacity.

I was invited to the board as quite frankly, there wasn't a ton of interest from the membership at that time, but after talking with some of you, I can understand why. Think of when Alfa Romeos were at their peak of popularity – the 50's, 60's and 70's. Some of you bought these cars back then or have owned them for many years since they were sold. Many of you have cycled through being board members over those many years and are leaving it up to others to run the club. So, you newbies and those who want to try it again, step on up. You will be welcomed.

Let your board members know what you want to do and see. I hosted two car restoration shop tours for example when I was on the board and worked on other events. New ideas for events are always welcomed. Portland and the surrounding areas have lots of car related museums, restoration shops, swap meets, and other related car events that could be attended as a club.

Speaking of the Northwest Classic, spread the word to your friends who own sports and other classic cars about this event. It is AROO's premier event of the year and the board is working hard already in the planning of this event. Given the COVID situation over the past few years, the rally has been less that what it was the last few years and the board wants to "make it great again."

AROO has been around a long time now and has lots of "traditional" events. There is the cold salmon and mac and cheese (ugh) on day 1 of the NWC, to the Valentine's day tour, the mini rallies, the Coupe d' Giro tour, the Old Spyder and Super tours, the NWC, and many other traditional events. Mostly though, AROO is about the people and driving events. You want car show activity; join the Mustang club.

As Doug Zaitz mentioned in the recent newsletter, you don't have to own an Alfa to join the club. Those of us who don't own Alfas, simply yield to the Alfisti ahead of us. But I am passionate about cars and the folks that drive, restore, perform general maintenance, etc. on them. Many of you do these activities and I can listen to your stories and experiences all day. I will even offer to lend you a hand in your wrenching process like I did with Doug when we went

through a Honda Accord preparing it for sale and then with getting his 1989 La Forza running.

Actually, I do have an Alfa. It is in my shop undergoing body and mechanical work. It's Doug's \$1500 Milano special (photo included). I suspect he will have that much into it or more by the time it has finished paint and mechanical work. I have always enjoyed bodywork and paint. When my son was 16, I bought a 1966 Mustang and we did much of the mechanical and body work on it. You'll see it pictured in the October 2019 Bits on the Giro d' Coupe tour. My dad's 1961 Porsche 356 B is also pictured in the President's column in the January 2020 bits. I don't think the next car has been photographed, but you'll probably see me back at the Mini Rallies in my 2007 Mustang GT. It's reliable, has a strong V-8 engine and has air conditioning. It does well competing with Fred and Lisa!

I hope to see many of you at the January in-person meeting at the OSF. I don't know about you, but I am COVID worn out. Tired of the Zoom events, I like socializing with you all and am looking forward to Chris' presentation. See you there.



AROO Rally Cup and School!

By Paul Eklund

Spring is fast approaching! Time to change the oil and dust off your collector car and get ready for a drive. It is also time to knock the cobwebs out of your head. One fun way to engage your brain, is to make plans to attend one or more of the upcoming AROO Cup rallies. Mark down these dates: March 13th, April 10th, May 15th and June 12th. They are all Sundays, and the rallies all start about 9:15am at the southbound French Prairie Rest Area, just south of Wilsonville from the rearmost parking area. Everyone is invited! especially those who have never gone on a rally before. Come on out!

To give a leg up for newbies and experts alike, we will host a RALLY SCHOOL on Saturday March 12th. We plan for it to be both LIVE (likely at Langer's Entertainment Center in Sherwood as part of Cars & Coffee) and on a ZOOM link to give best access for all. This school, and these 4 rallies will help you to prepare for a fun and successful NW Classic Rally which will take place Aug 5-7th heading down to Valley River Inn (Eugene) and written by Roger Dilts. It is back to the old 2.5 day format, with banquets and beer washes and maybe salmon at lunch... hopefully a concours as well.

The best way to be in the loop for details on the rallies and RALLY SCHOOL is to email either Yulia or myself at: paul.eklund@alfaclub.org or yulia.smolyansky@alfaclub.org or check the AROO Facebook page or website.

The March Rally will be written by Yulia and Paul. April is still available if anyone would like to learn to become a rallymaster. We can provide an old rally and all the help you need (Gretz? McNabb? Thompson?) Don't miss May, written by expert Simon Levear, and we saved the best for last, a new rally written by our own Patrick Iabone and Dave Beach – it should be a hoot!



Gimmick Rally at National Convention

By Paul Eklund

Believe it or not, it's now 2022, there WILL be an AROC National Convention in San Diego in mid-June, and it will kick off with a fun, little gimmick rally on Thursday. The definition of gim*mick: something that tricks, deceives or confuses; but it can also be used as a VERB, as in "to alter or augment with an EXTRA device or feature." But you may not know that in the Philippines, it means "a night out with friends."

Co-rallymasters Yulia Smolyansky ('74 GTV) and Paul Eklund ('57 1900 Super) have gimmicked up a great drive that will take adventurous teams off of Coronado Island to beautiful and driver-friendly east county roads. You will want to sign up early to insure a spot on this Thursday mid-morning event.

Contestants will receive a route book containing simple turn-by-turn instructions to follow this terrific jaunt from beginning to end. It will also include some questions to answer along the way. Familiar will be spotting signs, using Alfisti trivia to solve riddles and clues, while driving awesome roads. New will be photos in the route book that you have to match up to questions along the way. They may be LANDMARKS, historical buildings or signs, or even viewpoints. It will add a twist to your tour.

Be sure to sign up for the AROC convention and sign up for the gimmick rally!

Your faithful rallymasters, Yulia and Paul



Upcoming AROO Events!

By Chris Bright

Welcome to 2022!

It's time to look forward to new beginnings, and 2022 feels like that. We are looking forward to getting back together this year.. As such, we are trying to get events on everyone's calendar sooner rather than later.

We'll keep an eye on safety guidance regarding COVID as in-person meetings, but we will plan for success! To ensure our safety, we ask that all members and guests in attendance be fully vaccinated for COVID-19. Masks should be worn except when eating and drinking. Also, we will have most of our programs available by Zoom for those who are not able to attend in person.

PROGRAMS

AROO February 2022 Meeting featuring Sheri Harbour de Vos, Avants Portland

Wednesday, February 16, 2022

6:30 p.m. doors open, meal at 7 p.m.

Location TBD

Our Featured Guest: Sheri Harbour de Vos is the Portland Director of [Avants](#) and is a fixture of the car community in Portland. She has come a long way from her upbringing in remote Alaska to running marketing and events for Ron Tonkin Gran Turismo, until recently taking over as the first Director of Avants Portland. Sheri has a great love of collector cars and will also talk about Avants, a "non-denominational" membership program for gearheads, and how it will fit into the Oregon car scene. Remember to bring \$20 for a meal, and no-host adult beverages are paid separately.

The program will be available remotely via Zoom.

AROO March 2022 Meeting featuring Logan Gray, Vintage Motorbooks

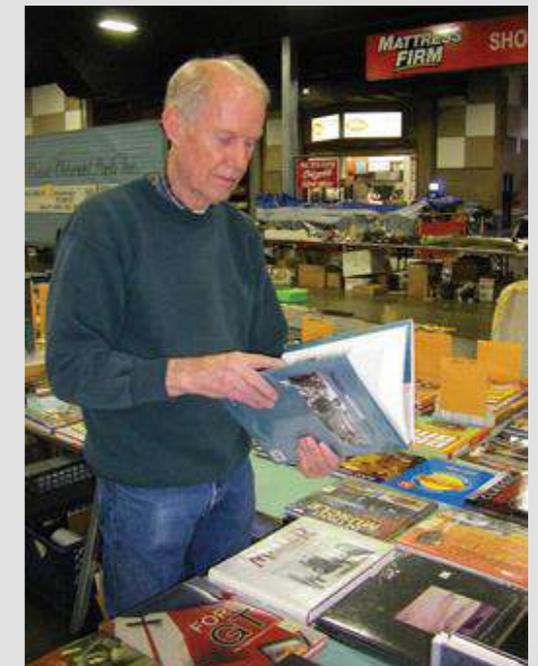
Wednesday, March 16, 2022

6:30 p.m. doors open, meal at 7 p.m.

Location TBD

Our Featured Guest: Logan Gray owns and operates [Vintage Motorbooks](#) which specializes in buying and selling automotive publications. Logan is a regular at West Coast car events where he sets up mouthwatering booths full of hard-to-find books. He is also a contributor to Sports Car Market and Automobilia magazines. Logan will tell us more about his 40 years in the automobile literature business, and also can share what you need to know if you are a book collector or if you want to sell some to clear some shelf space. Remember to bring \$20 for a meal, and no-host adult beverages are paid separately.

The program will be available remotely via Zoom.



AROO Upcoming Driving Events

[Annual Valentine Tour](#)

February 13, 2022

9:30 a.m. Drivers Meeting, 10 a.m. Departure

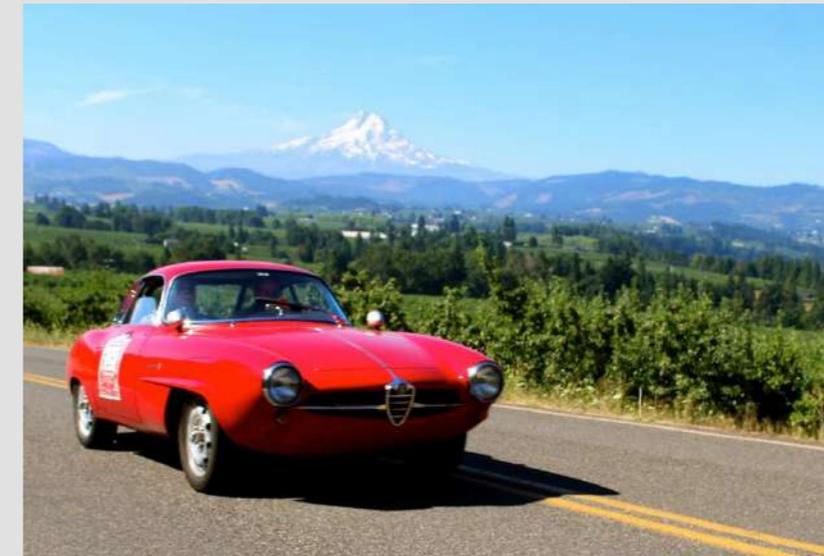
Route instruction and Liability Release forms will be posted [here](#) soon, as well as hotel information. Plan on a late morning/early afternoon drive from the Portland area with an optional no-host luncheon opportunity.



[2022 AROO Cup Rally Series](#) co-chaired by Paul Eklund and Yulia Smolyansky

- Rally School March 12 (virtual)
- #1 - March 13
- #2 - April 10
- #3 - May 15
- #4 - June 12

Each year, AROO conducts a series of short Time-Speed-Distance rallies for the coveted “AROO Cup”. About two hours in duration, the rallies are conducted on Sunday mornings March-June. Members are welcome to participate in any car. Rallying offers an enjoyable, low-key form of motorsports competition. Please plan to join us for this fun and exciting activity!



[44th Annual Old Spider Tour](#)

April 23, 2022

9:30 a.m. Drivers Meeting, 10 a.m. Departure

Route instruction and Liability Release forms will be posted [here](#) soon, as well as hotel information. Plan on a late morning/early afternoon drive from the Portland area with an optional no-host luncheon opportunity.



New Members and New Rides

Welcoming the new-to-AROO Alfa Romeos! If you recently joined or acquired a new ride, send pictures and the vitals and we'll include it in the next *Alfa Bits*.



2017 Alfa Romeo 4C | Tom Gammons

New owner of the 4C a new club member – both taking place in December 2021



1991 Alfa Romeo Spider Veloce | Keith Martin

Acquired in January 2022 with only 21K miles

Welcome to the 2022 Northwest Classic Rally!

Steve Davis, Rally Chair

Folks, it's been a long, hard-fought last few years for the NWCR. After the cancellation in 2020, the team pulled it back together for a one-day rally extravaganza in 2021. For 2022, the rally is Back in Full Force, and we want you to all be a part of it!

Leading up to this article, I've been doing some research on TSD rallies in the US. I've learned that the NWCR is not the oldest TSD rally in the USA – there are two events older. However, I did learn that our own Northwest Classic Rally is the oldest, continuously-run* Alfa Club event in the USA! And, while I can't be 100% sure, it may be the oldest Alfa event in the entire world. Since 1989, AROO has put on one of the most well-known and well-respected Time/Speed/Distance (TSD) rallies in America. For 2022, **we want YOU to join us August 4-7 for the 33rd running!**

Hotel and Rally Route

It's been a challenge finding the right hotel, the right route, and the right time for the Rally, but the organizing committee has come through. As you can see above, we've moved the event out a week, to the first weekend in August. This has actually made a lot of other stuff easier – it seems July shows up on all the hotels as “summer”, but August doesn't. Speaking of hotels, we are back at the *Valley River Inn*, in Eugene. Those who participated in the 2018 rally may remember it – great hotel, great meeting spaces and great parking. Our Rally Master, Roger Dilts, has already mapped out a challenging route covering about 400 miles over the two days – Friday and Saturday.

Competition and Classes

New this year, we are expanding the classes and years in order to bring newer (not “new” however!) cars in. Our competitive cut-off is 2000, split between Vintage and Modern at 1988. As in the past, we will also have a Tour class, which is non-competitive, but run on the same route, open to all cars – so bring that 4C, Giulia or Stelvio out for everyone to ogle! We are continuing with our two competitive classes – SOP (for “Seat of the Pants”), allowing only a stopwatch and car gauges; and “Calc”, where calculators and rally tables are allowed.

We are also really trying to get first-time TSD rallyists to participate. Your entry this year gains you access to the AROO Rally School, held in March, and put on by our resident super-rallyists, Paul and Yulia. AROO is known as a “Rally-centric Alfa Club” for good reason – no other AROC club holds more TSD rallies, or has taught more first-timers, than AROO. There's no better place to start!

Volunteers

Since AROO puts on the NWCR, there is a LOT to do, and our Volunteers are the key to our success. Our volunteers are the timers, starters, scorekeepers, checkpoint-ers, and more – the rally literally can't function without them! So, if you want to be involved in the rally, and want to hang out with the drivers and partake in the fun, without the driving part – we need you!

Join In the Fun!

Here's the thing – many of our members are involved in the Rally, and we know you truly enjoy the experience. For you, please join us again for our resurgence. For those of you who have yet to get involved – now is the time. The NWCR is AROO's biggest money-maker of the year, even after the split with our designated charitable organization (Alzheimer's Association for 2022). Our club is what makes this event possible for our own rallyists, as well as for entrants from all over the US and Canada.

It's four days of great roads, amazing cars, delicious food, and great camaraderie. Everything you want to know about the rally is on our website: www.northwestclassicrally.org. You can also scan the QR code in this article. Look for articles and information in every issue of the AlfaBits from now to July and be a part of it all!

*OK, 2020 doesn't count...



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New Dates: Aug 4-7, 2022

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Coffee with Keith Martin

Saturday, February 12, 10 a.m.

Pro-Tek, 1625 NE Sandy Blvd, Portland, OR 9723



Avants is hosting an event featuring AROO's Keith Martin giving a tour of selected cars from his collection, including his Junior Z, Jaguar E-Type, Citroen DS21, and more. He will be joined by long time friend Paul Duchene and they will share stories from their 40 years of writing about cars, collections, the market, and so much more.

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Board Meeting at Buster's Barbecue in Tigard at 7 PM Contact Doug Zaitz at doug.zaitz@alfaclub.org or 509-768-4312. All are welcome!

January

- 5 Board of Directors Zoom Meeting, 7 PM
- 26 General Meeting & Presentation, 6:30 PM
- 29 Tour to LeMay Auto Museum, host Chris Bright, 8:30 AM

February

- 2 Board of Directors Zoom Meeting, 7 PM
- 13 Valentines Day Tour, host TBD
- 16 General Meeting & Presentation, 6:30 PM
- 18-20 8th Annual AROC Winter Retreat in Palm Desert

March

- 2 Board of Directors Zoom Meeting, 7 PM
- 12 AROC Cup Rally School, Portland, 10 AM
- 13 AROC Cup Rally #1, Wilsonville, 9 AM
- 16 General Meeting & Presentation, 6:30 PM

April

- 1-3 Portland & PIR Swap Meets
- 6 Board of Directors Zoom Meeting, 7 PM
- 10 AROC Cup Rally #2, Wilsonville, 9 AM
- 20 General Meeting & Presentation, 6:30 PM
- 23 44th Annual Old Spider Tour & Lunch, host TBD

May

- 4 Board of Directors Zoom Meeting 7 PM
- 15 AROC Cup Rally #3, Wilsonville, 9 AM
- 18 General Meeting & Presentation, 6:30 PM
- 21 May Driving Tour & Lunch, host TBD

June

- 1 Board of Directors Meeting, Zoom Video Conference, 7 PM
- 12 AROC Cup Rally #4, Wilsonville, 9 AM
- 13-19 AROC National Convention, Coronado CA
- 15 June Evening Tour, host TBD, 6 PM
- 25 Summer Solstice Drive & BBQ, hosts Steve & Tina Davis

July

- 6 Board of Directors Zoom Meeting, 7 PM
- 8-10 Rose Cup Races at PIR
- 15-17 SVRA Portland Vintage Racing Festival at PIR

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 AROC calendar [HERE](#).

- 16 Annual Summer Picnic and Wine Tour, host Russ Paine
- 17 Forest Grove Concours
- 20 General Meeting - Not Scheduled

August

- 3 Board of Directors Meeting, Zoom Video Conference, 7 PM
- 4-7 33rd Annual NW Classic Rally in Eugene
- 17 August Evening Tour, host TBD, 6 PM
- 20 AROC Goes to Concorso Italiano in Seaside CA
- 20 Portland Yacht Club Classic Boats & Cars Show, host Chris Finks
- 25 Shelby America Auto Club NW Track Day at PIR
- 28 Lake Oswego Heritage Car Show, host Rick Warner

September

- 4-5 Columbia River Classic at PIR
- 6-19 Alfa Wannabe Tour to the Rockies, host Tom McGirr
- 7 Board of Directors Zoom Meeting, 7 PM
- 10 September Driving Tour & Lunch, host TBD
- 21 General Meeting & Presentation, 6:30 PM
- 24 Annual Old Super Tour, host TBD

October

- 1-2 Maryhill Hill Climb (SOVREN)
- 2 AROC Dirty Rat TSD Rally, Wilsonville, 9 AM
- 5 Board of Directors Zoom Meeting, 7 PM
- 8 4th Annual Giro di Coupe Tour, host Dennis Howell
- 19 General Meeting & Presentation, 6:30 PM
- 20-24 AROC Goes to F1 in Austin TX
- 30 Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, 5:30 PM

November

- 2 Board of Directors Zoom Meeting, 7 PM
- 16 General Meeting & Presentation, 6:30 PM

December

- 4 Annual Holiday Party & Silent Auction, 5:30 PM
- 7 Board of Directors Zoom Meeting, 7 PM
- 21 General Meeting - Not Scheduled

Welcome New Members & Congratulations to everyone with an anniversary.

New Members

None this month

Member Anniversaries

Neal Mapes – 2 year
Michael Nelson – 3 years
Anthony Avery – 3 years
Ryan Coulson – 5 years
Todd Stegman – 11 years
Jon Wagner – 14 years
Patrick Iaboni – 23 years
Tom McGirr – 23 years
Gregory Miller – 23 years
Fred McNabb – 27 years

- ★ Bob Hui – 33 years !
- ★ David Salvador – 39 years !
- ★ ★ David Rugh – 54 years !!! (our earliest member!)

★ *Members that have been with the club longer than 30 years.*

★ ★ *Members that have been with the club longer than 40 years.*

AROO has 168 members! Here are some nifty tidbits of information about our membership:

- Five members are in Canada
- Members by State – 147 in Oregon, 26 in Washington, 1 in Arkansas, 3 in Arizona, 3 in California, 2 in Idaho, 1 in North Carolina, 1 in Ohio, and 1 in Wyoming.

Anniversaries and New Member list is prepared each month by Steve Davis. Thank you Steve.



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Another Day at the LeMay

By Chris Bright

On Saturday, January 29, we made a return trip to the LeMay Museum to visit the “Alfa Romeo. Born from Passion.” exhibit curated by NWARC President Fred Russell. AROO last visited in July 2021, shortly after it had opened. Since that time, the collection had been refreshed, including with two cars from the AROO motor pool.

After a quick drivers’ meeting and coffee refill, the group caravanned up I-5 under sunny skies and on dry roads – an unexpected bonus for a January day in the Pacific Northwest! Even better was that we avoided the all-too-common traffic jams on the way. The luck of the *quadrifoglio* was holding!

Upon our arrival, the members who drove Alfa Romeos got rock star parking in the LeMay’s entry plaza. Once inside the doors, even before the ticket booth, visitors are greeted by a sleek and stunning 1938 Alfa Romeo 8C S11 Corto Spider Speciale. It was created by David Smith using an experimental V8 engine, he and his team

created a car that was not built by Alfa Romeo, but certainly could have.

Our first appointment was to attend “If Alfas Could Talk: The Digital World of Media Versus Printed Books and Magazines” moderated by Fred Russell. Keith Martin, publisher of *Sports Car Market*, and Alex Sargeant, owner of Ethyl’s Garage Bookstore, were the featured guests. It was lively topic that covered how we receive information and the pros and cons of digital media.

Best of all, plenty of members from our neighboring chapter to the north were in attendance. It was fun to see some old friends!

We headed back to the main hall to visit the Alfa Romeo exhibition. Fred Russell hosted a guided tour, but then invited Paul Eklund and Doug Zaitz to speak about the cars they loaned to the collection. Paul shared the story of his 1957 Alfa Romeo 1900 Berlina Super which he has had a prestigious string of owners. Next up was

Doug presenting his 1986 Alfa Romeo Sprint 1.5 Quadrifoglio Verde that was Alfa’s “hot hatch” in the mid-80s.

An unexpected bonus was the Reclaimed Rust: The James Hetfield Collection that was passing through LeMay for an 11-day show. This is a collection of custom cars designed by James Hetfield, the lead singer of Metallica, and built-in partnership with some of the leading custom builders in the country. The combination of a creative car lover and a limitless budget resulted in these 10 beauties! The attention to detail was phenomenal and rise to the level of fine art. Hetfield has donated the collection to the Petersen Automotive Museum where they will eventually be on permanent display.

The Alfa Romeo exhibit closes in June. We may try to do one more trip up there before it goes. If you haven’t seen it yet, make the trip! We are lucky to have such a wonderful show right in our own backyard.



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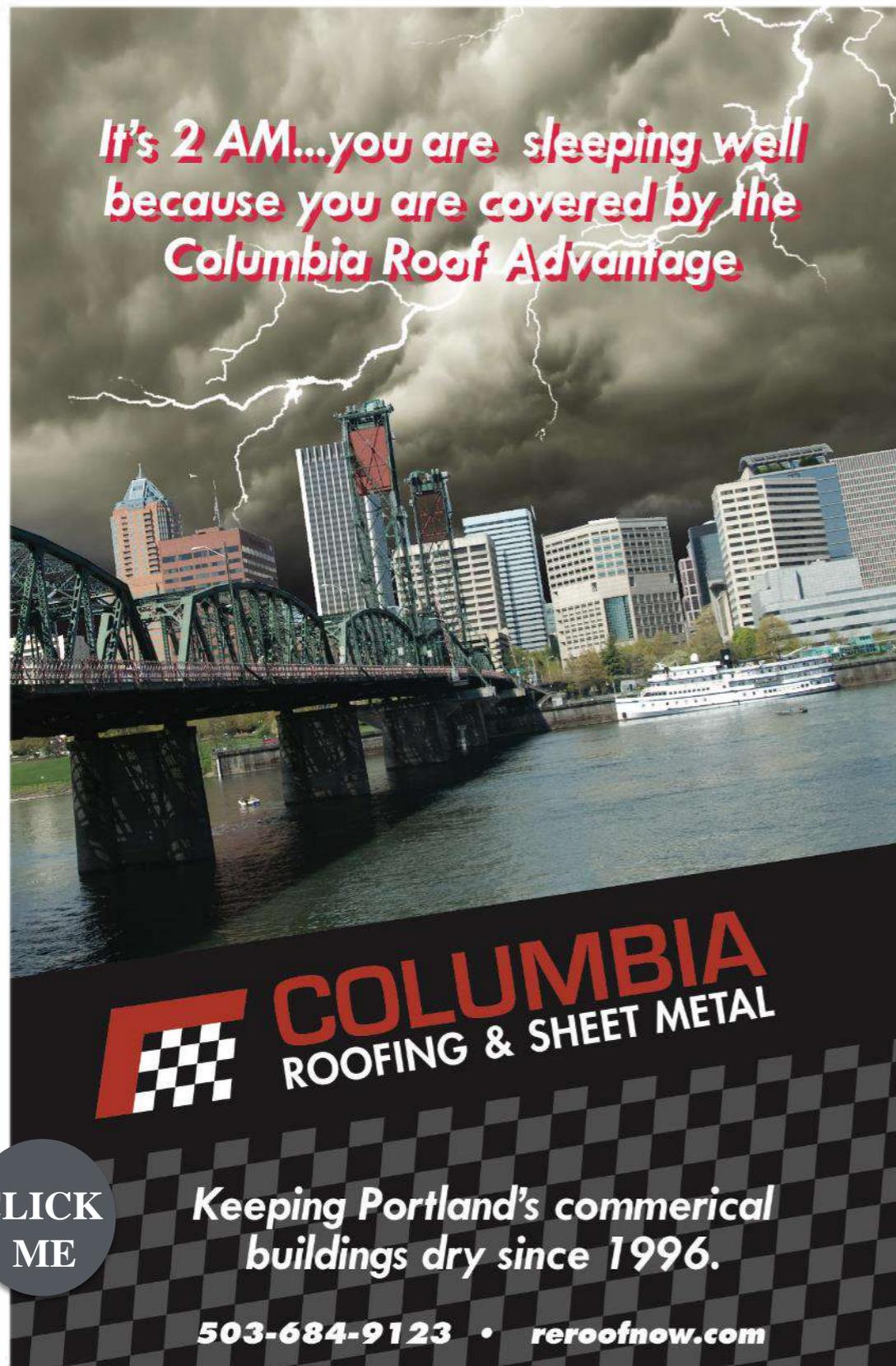
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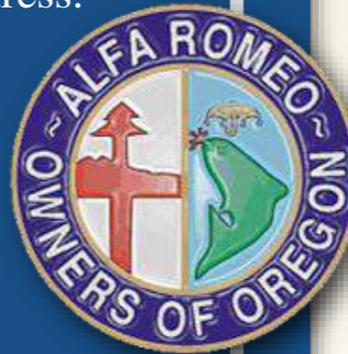
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Current mileage: 182K* miles ?

Condition: Very strong running car with body and interior and top in good, mostly original condition and parts. Re-painted five years ago and a long list of rehab projects were performed to the running gear, suspension, body, and interior (listed below) over the 25 years I have owned it.

History: I purchased the car in 1996 from a nephew who was moving up from San Francisco. To the best of my knowledge the car had spent its life up to that point in the bay area. It was a bit tired looking and a lot of maintenance had been deferred. But like me in mid-life it appeared worth saving. We bonded. It was a daily driver (five miles to my office) for about three years. Since then it has been used only for occasional Sunday drives and spent most of the time since it was painted and restored in a barn in Washington.

Here is a list of the major things I have done, mostly in chronological order:
(Except for a few small things I did myself, all mechanical work was done by Nasko, in Portland, Oregon.)

Mechanical

- Rebuilt mechanical fuel injection pump
- Rebuilt transmission - synchro gears
- Clutch
- New heater core (under the dash)
- Wheel bearings
- Routine brakes
- U-joints
- Powder coated header pipes
- Complete mufflers and exhaust system refresh
- Rebuilt head with new valves, cams, etc. (purchased from International Auto)
- Electronic ignition upgrade
- Fuel pump and fuel lines and filters
- Complete brake rebuild - all wheels disks, rotors, drums, master cylinder
- Front suspension
- New radiator
- Gas tank removed, cleaned and repainted

Interior

- Replaced drivers seat upholstery and cleaned up operating framework of both seats
- Doors rehabbed including window crank mechanisms, door handle operation, upholstery panels, replaced rubber seals all around
- Cleaned up and replaced a couple cracked shrouding pieces around center console
- Cleaned up floor panels under original rubber mats (No rust here or other spots in the body)

- New StayFast top installed by Guy's Interior Restoration on refurbished frame
- Added convertible top boot
- Dash cover (dash is cracked in all the usual sun drenched places)

Body

At about 175K miles I took the car off the road and began a five-year project stripping down the paint which included rebuilding the interior working of both doors, hood and trunk latches, hinges, body trim, etc., and sanding the body panels nearly to the metal all around. I had the car painted off-site by a young man trained at Heitzman's in Beaverton (where my father worked as a body man for 40 years). I then reassembled the car including new window and door seals and some trim moldings. Camp. wheels with Pirelli tires at about 3,000 miles use.

* Odometer reads 82,000. Actual is not verified.



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1987 Alfa Romeo Spider Quadrifoglio

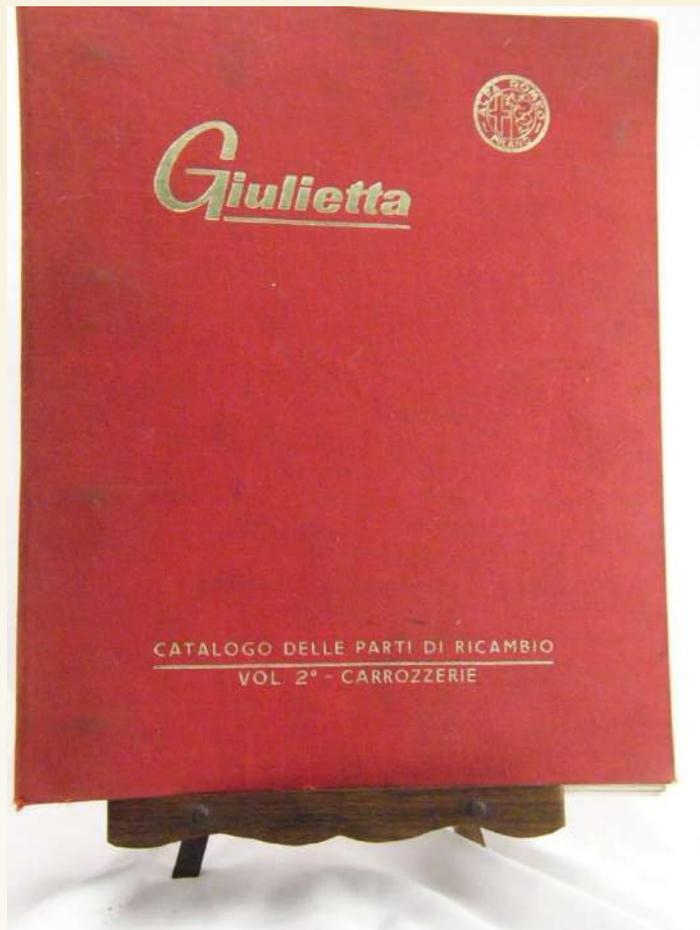


~102,000 mi, Silver exterior, Grey leather seat with Red/black interior carpet. Hard top in good condition. Soft top also in good condition (no rips/fading). Air Conditioning. I have owned it since about 2000. It has always been garaged. All maintenance was done by Veloce Motors (Dan Summers). I lived overseas for 5yrs and stored it with Dan. I drove for a few years as a second summer vehicle when I returned. It is currently stored and has been stored for the last 4 years. Looking for about \$9k. **Contact Greg at 503.333.6895**

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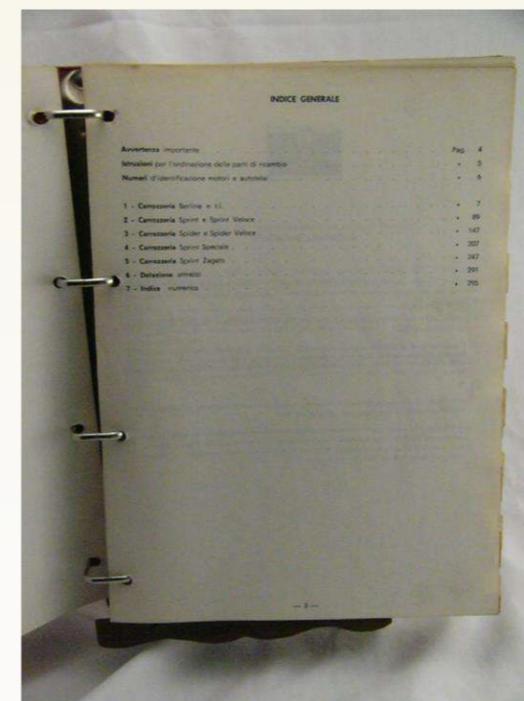


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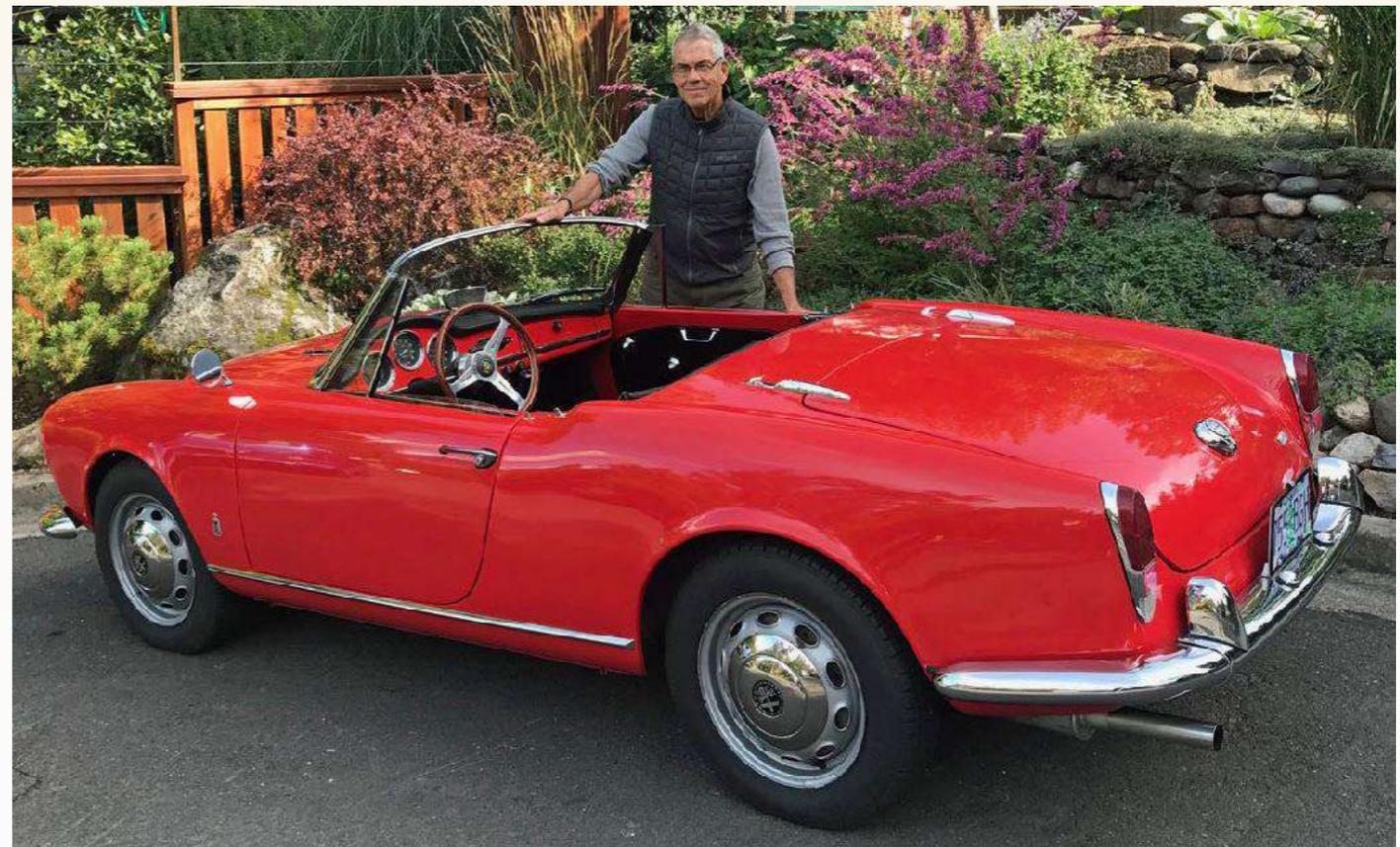
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1965 Giulia Spider



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