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The Small Print



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- If you need photos of a car you're selling, let me know and I may be able to help.

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

<u>James Parker</u>

Alfa Bits Editor

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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.

President's Column

May 2022 – Chris Bright

In the Driver's Seat



Dave LaBriere & Chris Bright

The last month has been chock-full of car events with something fun and interesting happening every weekend. It has been a blast, and best of all I have gotten to spend time around a ton of great folks! Over the last few weeks, I've been to the April General Meeting, followed by the Old Spider Tour, AROO at Cars & Coffee, The One Motorcycle Show, and finally the drizzly and cold Portland Transmission Show.

Now I have been around the Portland car scene for some time, but more often than not I was a passive participant. Now that I'm fully engaged I realized that I am still the proverbial rookie. There are so many folks who are fixtures that I have yet to meet – and even more history that I have yet to learn!

Case in point: Former AROO Presidents Erik Roe (2010)

and Dave LaBriere (1979) whom I only had a chance to meet for the first over this recent stretch of car events.

I made Erik's acquaintance when he was recruited to lead the Old Spider Tour. It was great to see that as a second-generation AROO member that Erik is properly bringing up the next generation of *Alfisti* in his son Everett! I must say, it is heartening to see young folks at these events with Nicholas laboni and Connor Finks (among others!) frequenting club events.

Getting a chance to hear Erik share tales of tours gone by, including the annual retelling of the origin of the Old Spider Tour and the traditional birthday cake, is the living, oral tradition of this club. One that I have yet to fully know, but am eager to learn in the coming years.

I can't say that I met Dave LaBriere on the Old Spider Tour, but I did see him as I whizzed by at 70 mph on I-84 when he was victimized by a broken alternator and fan belt. I was impressed that he talked his flatbed driver into bringing him to the OST's start so that he could at least attend the driver's meeting for a tour he would not be able to drive!

Dave and I got a chance to have a longer chat during the Portland Transmission Show on May 7th. He kindly approached me and introduced himself and I got to learn a bit about his past history, his new-to-him Spider that is a work in progress, and a bit about his history with the club. I'm not sure if it's an urban legend or not, but he takes credit for converting Bill Gillham to the Church of Alfa Romeo!

I came away from these serendipitous encounters with a healthy respect for the fact that I have so much to learn and so many more people to meet. And to that I say, "Great!!!"

If you're reading this and we haven't met, let's connect.

Tell me all the stories from AROO's past as I'm eager to learn about it. Probably others will too, so maybe we need to set out to share the knowledge in a book or website, or even some programs that we can record. AROO has such a rich history we need to ensure that we pass it along for the third, fourth, fifth generations, and beyond!

Alfas Bring the Caffeine to Cars & Coffee

On Saturday, April 30, the rains stopped, clouds parted, and Alfa Romeos took Portland Cars & Coffee. The impetus was to share with the local car scene information about the Northwest Classic Rally and try to get some folks interested. While we did our best to do that, what we ended up also doing was generating a lot of excitement about Alfas.

We were joined by 13 Alfas, ranging from Giuliettas, GTVs, Giulias, Spiders, Milanos all the way up to the newest models the Giulia Quadrifoglio and the Stelvios. Hopefully we sparked some interest in the marque.

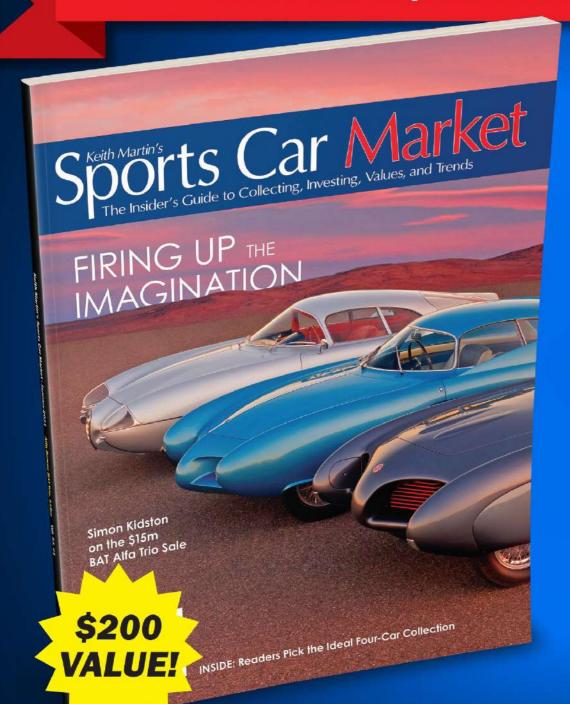
And guess what? We're going to do it again. Find details on page 8 of this month's Alfa Bits!!

See you on the roads, Chris

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

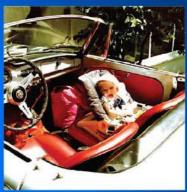


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Bradley Martin circa 2008. Alexandra Martin-Banzer circa 1992. Both in 1965 Giulia Spider Veloce, S/N 390290

Martin and his 1958 750E Sprint Veloce "Confortavole"

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33rd Northwest Classic Rally

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33rd Northwest Classic Rally Sign Up NOW!

Spaces are starting to fill up, and we need more Alfas in our entries!

Go to www.northwestclassicrally.org to register now register and pay on-line!

Let's all help return our cherished event back to pre-Covid levels of glory and participation. The route is set, the volunteers are set, and the hotel is filling up... all we need is YOU!



AROO Solstice Alfa Tour & Picnic!

Return of the Solstice Alfa Tour and Picnic!

By Steve Davis

The southern Willamette Valley is calling you! Join your fellow AROO'ers on June 25 on a tour down to the home of Steve and Tina Davis for an afternoon of BBQ, fun and conversation... and some Alfa-stuff also. The 2019 event was HUGE, with more than 50 people making the journey from all parts north and south, east and west. The day was perfect, the Alfas glistened on the lawn, and the conversation was awesome!

The plan (for those coming from the "Northland") is to meet at 10am at the Wilsonville Rest Area on Southbound I-5, in the third parking lot in the back. We'll have a quick driver's meeting, and depart about 10:30. Tour Leader Doug Zaitz has a route that combines some of the last route with a new turn or two. The drive will be about 2.5 hours, so fill up the car and get the coffee beforehand. We

will plan a quick stop along the way, however! The group should arrive at the Davis house about 1:00-1:15. For those wanting to take the direct route, as well as for those coming from other directions, the address is 33910 Mount Tom Drive, Harrisburg, OR, 97446. We are about 10 minutes off 1-5, just outside of Coburg.

We are planning burgers and chicken patties, and a few veggie patties also, as well as salad and chips and sweets. Beer, wine and soft drinks also. There will be some lawn games and other stuff going on. Depart when you want – it's a straight, two-hour blast up I-5 from the house to Portland.

We're extending a special invitation to our AROOers to the south, east and west. We know that there aren't a lot of Alfa events down in the Southern Willamette Valley (or lower), and we really want to show those Portlanders that we are Alfa-strong also!

The Alfa-centric shop will be open; many of you know I'm resto-modding a '76 Alfetta GT, and it will be on display in some state of mid-Humpty-Dumpty. Alfas will be prominently parked on the front lawn, and there's lots of parking for Alfas and non-Alfas alike!

Please RSVP for this event, so we can get an accurate count of food. To RSVP, or if you have any questions, feel free to email me at steve.davis2@comcast.net. Tina and I are SO excited to be hosting this event after two LOOONG years – we hope to see you all here!











AROO Upcoming Events

May General Meeting: Introducing SZ #001

6:30 pm May 18, 2022

Location to be provided to RSVPs

We have a "celebrity" that has just arrived in Portland: 1959 Alfa Romeo Giulietta Sprint Zagato Serial No. 001! A stunning and important car in the history of Alfa Romeo.

AROO member Bob Piacentini just acquired this car from Italy and it only recently landed in Portland. Bob has invited the club to his private garage to see the car and learn more about its history.

Keith Martin will be leading the conversation with Bob about the car's history and his efforts to get it roadworthy.

We will have pizza and beverages for attendees. Cost \$15/person -- please bring it in cash.

The location is in North Portland. The address will be provided to those who have RSVP'd shortly before the event. **RSVP:** *chris.bright*@*alfaclub.org*.

Sprint Zagato 001!



2022 AROO Cup Rally Series

co-chaired by Paul Eklund and Yulia Smolyansky

- #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!

Cars & Coffee – We are going BACK!

by Steve Davis

We are headed back to Cars & Coffee on Saturday, May 28th! Hopefully, the weather will be awesome(er) and we will have more Alfas and more cars in general. The AROO/Northwest Rally pop-up booth will be there again, and we will be handing out flyers and getting people to register.

As we did on April 30, we will meet across the street at the Old Spaghetti Factory. At about 8:00am, we will all caravan over to get into line for the entrance to Cars & Coffee at Langers Entertainment Complex (21650 SW Langer Farms Parkway, Sherwood). This will allow all of us to come in and park in a group, which makes oogling our beautiful Alfas even more fun! Considering the great turnout we had in April for a rainy day, we should have an even greater turnout on the 28th. Please join us!

Details At A Glance

When: Saturday, May 28 – 7:30am

Where: Meet at 7:30am at the Old Spaghetti Factory 21192 SW Langer Farms Parkway, Sherwood, OR 97140.



Sunny Day for the Old Spider Tour

AROO Old Spider Tour

By Patrick laboni

It was a rare, dry, sunny Saturday morning for the Old Spider Tour. We met at the Lewis and Clark State Recreation Site in Troutdale. Alfa's of all kinds showed up at the start. We had old spiders, new spiders, coupes, suvs and berlinas that turned up. Many of us saw a red spider stopped on the side of I-84 that also made it to the start, albeit on the back of a flatbed. The driver of that spider wanted to make sure he made an appearance at the start, and he convinced the flatbed driver to stop in.

Our tour leader Erik told us that this route was his 'plan B' route since the weather had been so wintery leading up to the date of the tour. The route took us into the gorge, across the bridge of the gods, and into the twisty roads of Washington.

As is always the case on one of our tours, if you wanted to drive at a reasonable pace, being up front with the leaders was the key. If you had an appetite for a bit more speed, the back was the place to be.

Lunch was at Maryhill State Park. The day couldn't have been nicer. We ate under the sun at the outdoor picnic area, and Erik brought a special surprise for all of us. He had a cake made to commemorate the 64th birthday of the Giulietta spider. The cake was the same light blue as the car that started it all, Bob McGill's old spider. Adding to the moment was the fact that Bill Eastman drove that very spider on the tour. Cool stuff indeed.

After lunch, the route took us back into Oregon and one more stop at White River Falls. As far as I heard, every car made it through the tour, and those few that had trouble were able to make it home under their own power. I would call that a successful day indeed!

See you all on the next tour.





Participant List:

Jon & Betty Anderson Chris Bright Cliff Brunk Carl Clemons Doug Hartman & Kelly Collins Roger & Connie Dilts Bill Eastman Jim and Nancy Gunter Dennis Howell & Claudia Reinhaus Steve & Jan Hunker Patrick, Tami & Nicholas Iaboni Donald Jackson Malarie Juricev Keith Martin & Rory Jurnecka Steve Kendall Ron Krueger David LaBriere Dick & Kathy Larsen Tom & Paula McGirr Fred and Lisa McNabb Erik & Everett Roe David Salvador Ed & Kim Slavin Puff & Bob Stevens Joe Sweeney & Jerome Luce Joe Torsi





AROO Old Spider Tour!

AROO Old Spider Tour!

Photos by Patrick Iaboni



















AROO Old Spider Tour!

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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.



Your faithful rallymasters, Yulia and Paul









2022 Northwest Classic Rally!

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 <u>not</u> 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!

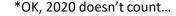
Volunteers

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!















UPDATE! 2022 Northwest Classic Rally

Update 2022 Northwest Classic Rally!

Steve Davis, Rally Chair

I thought I would share some information about the Rally with you all, in a little more detail than you may have seen in the email blasts that have gone out. Hopefully, this will cajole, coerce and convince you to sign up for the rally – especially those of you that are running in the AROO Rally Cup – I mean, why wouldn't you sign up, right?

The Cars

Right now, we have 45 registrants/cars signed up for the rally. As many of you know, there are three classes of participants:

- **SOP** (Seat of the Pants), also called "Un-aided" those are competitors that only can use their Speedo, Odometer and a Stopwatch
- Calc, also called "Aided" those are the competitors that can use Timers and Calculators (but not trip computers).

The above two classes are then broken up into two different sub-groups:

- Vintage Cars built 1988 or older
- Modern Cars built from 1989-2000
- Tour those are the people that are in it for the fun of the drive any year of car is invited.

As of now, we have the following registrations:

28 Rally cars, all Vintage!

- 18 SOP cars
- 10 Calc cars

17 Tour cars

A bit deeper of a dive gives us some info on the different marques represented:

1 Acura	10 Alfa Romeos	1 Aston Martin	1 Austin-Healey
5 BMW's	1 Datsun	1 Ferrari	1 Fiat
2 Fords	3 Jaguars	1 Mercedes	1 Morgan
1 Morris Mini	5 Porsches	1 Saab	1 Sunbeam
2 Triumphs			

And a number of "haven't decided yet" entries.

So, the good news is that Alfa is well-represented... but not enough yet! I looked at the last few pre-Covid years, and Alfa Romeo made up between 25-30% of all entries. At this point, we are below 25%. I'd love to see another 7-10 of you sign up and bring your beautiful Alfas out for the rally. Do it for the club! Do it for the fun! Do it for Alfa!









2022 Northwest Classic Rally!

Update 2022 Northwest Classic Rally!

Steve Davis, Rally Chair

Continued...

Also surprising to me is that there are NO modern-class cars signed up so far! Since we give out trophies for top performers in all four of the classes, there is an opportunity for you to nab a rally trophy by coming out in your 1989 or later Milano, Spider or 164!

The route – a "Religious Experience"

We already all know that driving through the Willamette Valley is a stunning way to spend the day, even if you are carefully measuring out your distance and speed while doing it. At the risk of running afoul of Rally Master Roger Dilts, I will tell you that the route this year includes a number of churches being used as either lunch spots or rest stops. I'm not telling you which ones by the way, and you will run out of time if you google "Churches in Southern Willamette Valley". I will tell you that these are lovely little places — some small, some not so small. Roger has worked with the leadership of each church so that facilities are available for rallyers, and some of the churches may have some of their membership present to see the cars, so an impromptu car show may break out! Between these churches, and the parks, bridges, and more that you will see on the route, it will truly be a grand experience... just don't miss that upcoming right turn...

Volunteers – Our unsung heroes of NWCR

An event such as the Northwest Classic Rally depends on volunteers. Volunteer Chair Glenn Dolphin is doing an amazing job getting all the different roles lined up. The key roles of Timers and Scorekeepers have been filled by a team of people that all have considerable experience with these key functions. Additionally, we have volunteers helping at the rest stops, at lunches, and at the Start/Finish locations. We'd love more of you to step up to help, however! If you have never done anything with the Rally before, and want to start, even as a helper at lunch or at a rest stop, contact Glenn glenndolphin@gmail.com. From personal experience as a first timer, Tina and I worked at the rest stop in 2018, which was at the Crow Community Church (yes, another church!), and we had a blast, waving to the cars, talking with the drivers and taking lots of photos.

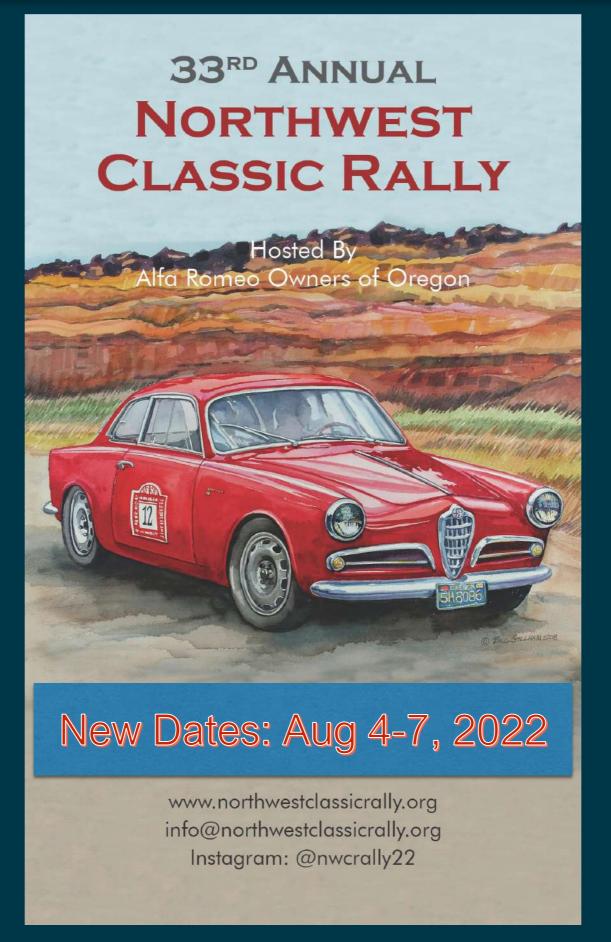
In an update for next month, I'll update you on more goings-on with the rally. I'm really hoping to see more of you sign up to compete, tour or volunteer this year! You know, the rally has always been about Alfas. It's why the rally school and AROO Cup Series was put in place – to prep competitors for the "big event". If I've succeeded in convincing you, head over to www.northwestclassicrally.org and sign up. See you out on the rally...







33rd Northwest Classic Rally









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Forest Grove Concours d'Elegance



Attend the longest-running Concours event in the Pacific Northwest! The 48th Forest Grove Concours d'Elegance will feature over 300 sports and classics on the tree-shaded campus of Pacific University in Forest Grove, Oregon. Jaguar is the featured marque, celebrating the 60th anniversary of the E-Type. Plus, Keith Martin returns as Concours emcee!

2021 Featured Marque: Jaguar. Celebrating 60 years of the E-Type. Also honoring Triumph TR4, and MG Midget

Schedule:

Concours d'Elegance: Sunday, July 18th 8:30AM-4:30PM Vineyard Driving Tour: Saturday, July 17th 9AM-2PM Evening of Elegance Dinner: Saturday, July 17th 7:00PM

> www.forestgroveconcours.org 503-357-2300

Concours schedule is subject to change due to COVID and guidance on large events from the State of Oregon

All proceeds benefit Rotary Club Community Service Projects and Student Scholarships Club of Forest Grove



AROO Members have been invited to participate in an unjudged Alfa Corral at the Concours!!

All members need to do is register at https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/48th-forest-groveconcours-d-elegance-pacific-university-rotary-clubfoundation-097440

- Be sure to enter class T-2 (Alfa Romeo 1935-90)
- Cost is \$50



NEW 2022 Activities!

EVERY FIRST WEDNESDAY:

Board Meeting on Zoom at 7 PM Contact Chris Bright at chris.bright@alfaclub.org or 503-307-1261. 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 Patrick laboni
- 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 AROO Cup Rally School, Portland, 10 AM
- 13 AROO Cup Rally #1, Wilsonville, 9 AM
- 16 General Meeting & Presentation, 6:30 PM
- 31 PIR Swap Meet

April

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

May

- 4 Board of Directors Zoom Meeting 7 PM
- 15 AROO Cup Rally #3, Wilsonville, 9 AM
- 18 General Meeting & Garage Tour, 6:30 PM
- 21 May Driving Tour & Lunch, host TBD
- 28 Portland Cars & Coffee Sherwood 7:30 AM

June

- 1 Board of Directors Meeting, Zoom Video Conference, 7 PM
- 12 AROO 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

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.

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
- 16 Annual Summer Picnic and Wine Tour, host Russ Paine
- 17 Forest Grove Concours Alfa Corral
- 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
- 11 Shelby America Auto Club NW Track Day at PIR
- 17 August Evening Tour, host TBD, 6 PM
- 19-21 Summer Tour to Gold Beach & Ashland, host Tom McGirr
- 20 AROC Goes to Concorso Italiano in Seaside CA
- **20** Portland Yacht Club Classic Boats & Cars Show, host Chris Finks
- **28** 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 4th Annual Giro di Coupe Tour, host Dennis Howell
- 21 General Meeting & Presentation, 6:30 PM
- **24** Annual Old Super Tour, host Bill Gillham

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- 1-2 Maryhill Hill Climb (SOVREN) & Show
- 5 Board of Directors Zoom Meeting, 7 PM
- 8 Driving Tour & Lunch, host TBD
- 9 AROO Dirty Rat TSD Rally, Wilsonville, 9 AM
- 15-16 Fall Tour to Bend, host Tom McGirr
- 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



New Members & Anniversaries

Welcome New Members & Congratulations to everyone with an anniversary.

New Members

Steven Cook, of Portland

Anatole Farci – 2 years
David Schroeder – 4 years
Stephen Godish – 8 years
Greg and Barbara Byes – 9 years
Maynard Chambers – 13 years
George Kraus – 16 years
Stephen Ruben – 17 years
Ted and Sharon Gathe – 24 years
Stu and Shirley Moss – 32 years!
Erik Roe – 33 years!
Frank Filice – 34 years!

Grant Prentice – 37 years!

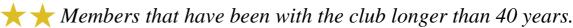
Michael Barmache – 43 years!!

Member Anniversaries

Thanks to moving to Club Express, I now have access to a lot more information about memberships in AROO. One of those tidbits of information is a list of "Associate" or "Secondary" members. These are memberships that are associated with a Primary member. For example, my wife, Tina, is a Secondary member on my membership. A Secondary member has all the membership privileges of the primary, although they share one vote in AROC matters. Having access to Secondary members allows me to include and recognize them in this monthly column! You can add a Secondary member easily by logging into the new AROC Club Express page: https://arocusa.clubexpress.com/ and then log in and click on your name in the upper left corner. You'll go to your profile info and you can update or add information.

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

 \bigstar Members that have been with the club longer than 30 years.





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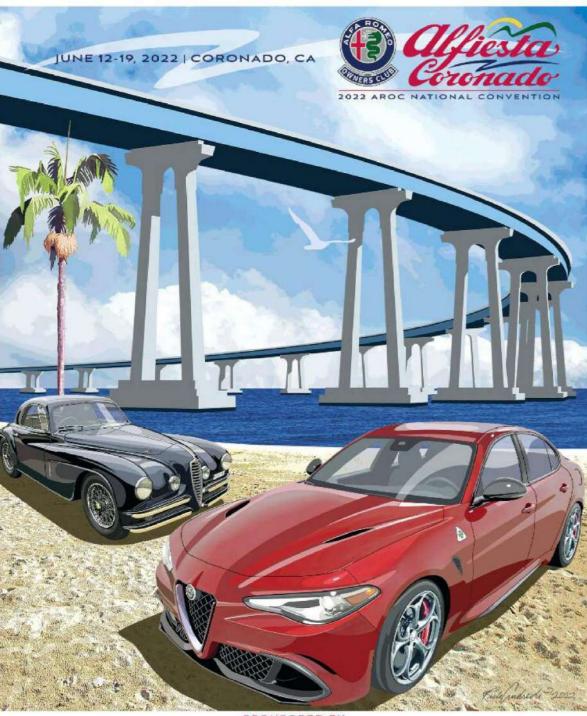
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ervations for the Loews Coronado Bay Resort in Coronado, CA must be made by calling 800-815-6397 and mentioning the Alfa Romeo group. Reservations are available urday night; additional nights may be available at the same rate. The hotel information for the Willow Springs Track Day will be forwarded to you upon registration for those





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AROO Summer Tour

Salem/Gold Beach/Ashland

August 19-21

By Tom McGirr

This two night-three-day tour will depart from Salem's Waterfront Park next to the Carousal (opposite State Street) at 8:15 AM. With the exception of 19 miles, the route to the coast will be rural back roads. A picnic lunch (BYO) is planned in Oakland, then we head down Hwy 42 towards Myrtle Point, stopping at Sandy Bridge Creek Covered Bridge for a rest stop. Another country road will take us from Myrtle Point to Face Rock Viewpoint on the coast in Bandon and we finish on Hwy 101 arriving in Gold Beach around 4:15 leaving time for a beach walk.

My suggestions for lodging at Gold Beach on August 19 are as follows: (First 3 are ocean front)

- Pacific Reef-541-249-4398 (this is where leader is staying).
- Sure Stay Best Western-541-247-7066
- Beach Combers Inn-541-247-6691
- Motel 6
- Wild Chinook Inn

Remember, this is prime tourist time at the coast so you may want to make your reservations sooner than later.

Next day we head to Ashland passing through the California Redwoods. You will have the opportunity to walk thru the Stout Old Growth Forest on a trail I discovered last fall. Having picked up deli sandwich to go I Brookings, another picnic lunch is planned at a park in the Applegate Valley. After lunch, we will visit Cricket Hill Winery, a very small winery that focuses on Boudreaux wines. Time permitting, we will also stop at Pebblestone Winery near Jacksonville-very decent wines at a fair price. ETA in Ashland is around 4:30. Dinner will be at Caldera Brewing - Great food and excellent beer!

Suggested lodging in Ashland on August 20th:

- Best Western Windsor-541-488-2330 (leader staying here)
- Ashland Hills-541-293-0660
- Holiday Inn Express-541-201-0202

All three are walking distance to dinner. Again, remember this is prime Shakespeare season so lodging will be tight.

Day 3 will take us past Hyatt Lake, Butte Falls, Diamond Lake and the Rogue River to Roseburg for lunch at the Backside Brewery where the tour ends.

PLEASE SEND TOM MCGIRR AN E-MAIL ONCE YOU HAVE MADE RESERVATIONS. I need to make dinner reservations which will be a challenge for a larger group.

tomsredalfa@gmail.com 503-362-8597 if questions.



Salem to Central Oregon

October 15-16, 2022

By Tom McGirr

The Fall tour is heading to We should have Bend. some nice fall colors and hopefully the weather will still be dry! Day 1 will take us through country roads to Lebanon, then on Hwy 20 to Santiam Junction, then south to Sahalie Falls. After a break, we enjoy the Old McKenzie Hwy. We mid-Bend arrive in afternoon at Mt. Batchelor Village. An Italian themed dinner is planned.

Sunday, we will drive the Cascades Scenic Highway past Mt. Batchelor and the Three Sisters, head West on Hwy 58 with a stop at Salt Creek Falls and finish the tour in Brownsville at the local Brownsville Saloon for lunch. If open, you are invited to check out

the Brownsville Museum. It is a real gem and worth a visit!

Suggested lodging is Hampton Inns and Suites located on Columbia Blvd. 541-388-3000. Alternate located close by: Town Place Suites on 13th Place. 541-382-5006

As always, let Tom know you are coming. Logistics for a large group meal are challenging so I need advance notice of who is coming. tomsredalfa@gmail.com.

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Salt Creek Falls. Photo by James Parker



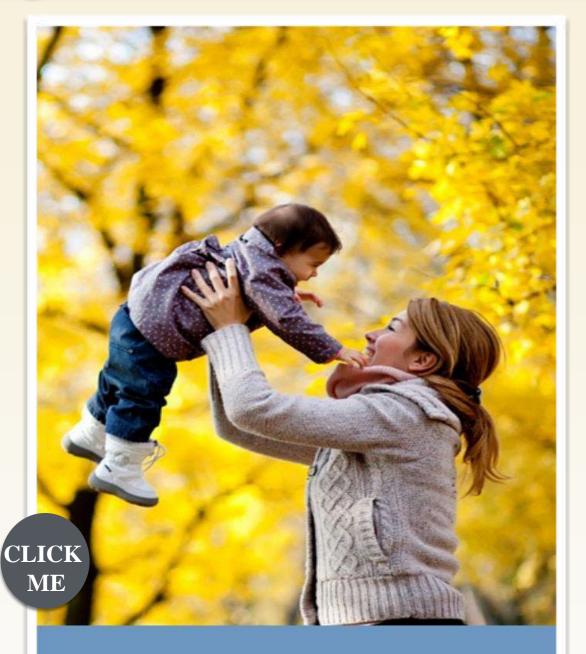




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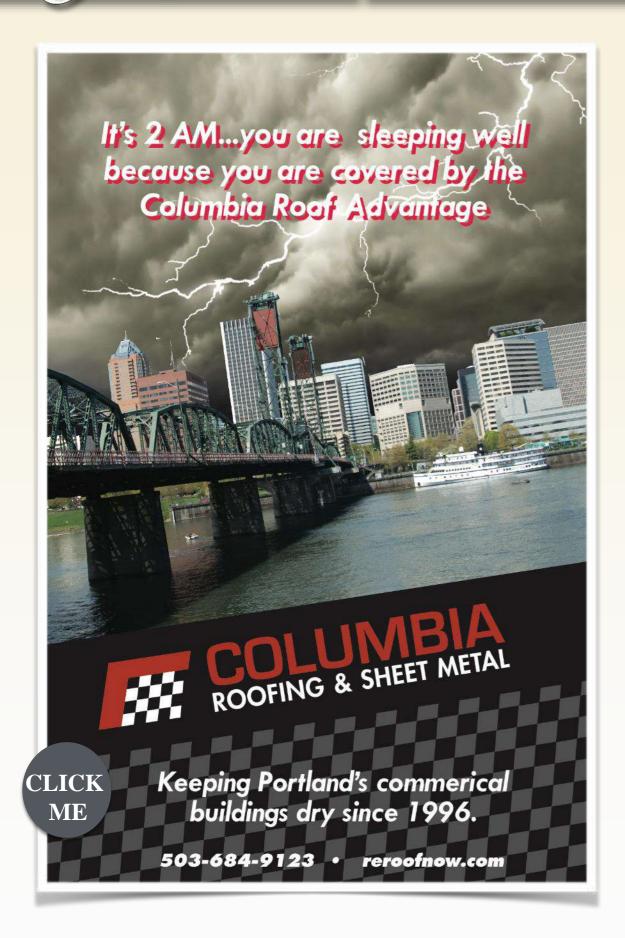
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1973 Spider Veloce

\$5000

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

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.

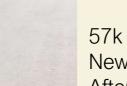
* Odometer reads 82.000. Actual is not verified.



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1988 Spider Graduate Series \$9000



57k miles, black, body is in excellent shape with no dents.

New top and new battery. Pirelli tires have about 10k miles on them.

After market wooden steering wheel and gear shift knob.

Been garaged the past 8 years when not being driven.

Needs some minor repairs (horn ((probably a fuse)), gas cap release cable, driver's seat worn)

Original owner's manual as well as maintenance receipts available.





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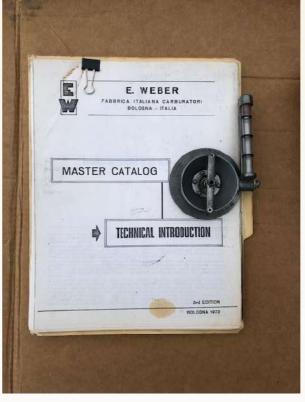
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1987 Alfa Romeo Spider Quadrifoglio



~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

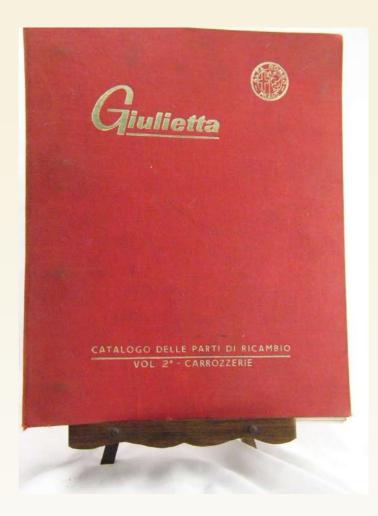
Abandoned GTV – with engine and trans

I have an abandoned 73 or thereabouts GTV very rusty w/ motor & trans intact CHEAP (maybe free), seats & stock aluminum wheels, dash & gauges. Any interest please call Rollin Crago at 541-301-9752. In Medford, OR.





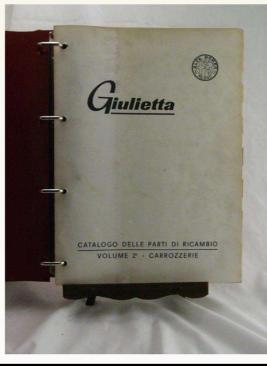
1964 Factory Alfa Romeo Parts Catalog

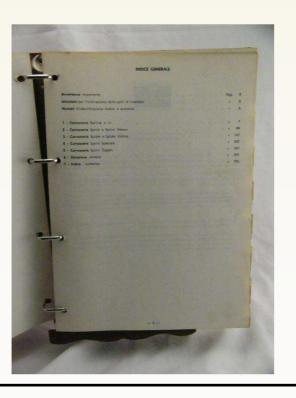


Selling an original dated 1964 factory-issued Alfa Romeo Giulietta parts catalog, printed in Italian. It is four-ring binder format in excellent condition. The cloth binding is intact with only a very slight wear on the corners. All pages are intact, with no oil or coffee smudges.

\$150 or a reasonable offer.

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Alfa Spider Bra for sale



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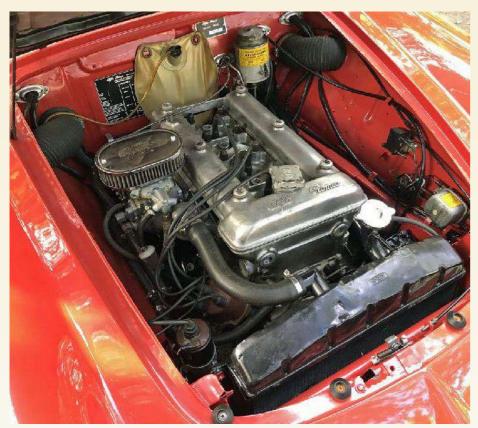
Seller had a pristine 1974 Alfa Spider until it was rear ended; the car was totaled but the bra was saved. The bra has been hardly used. It should work for years other than 1974. It was stored for several years in its carrying case. Wrinkles should fall out once in the sun.

Offered at \$50

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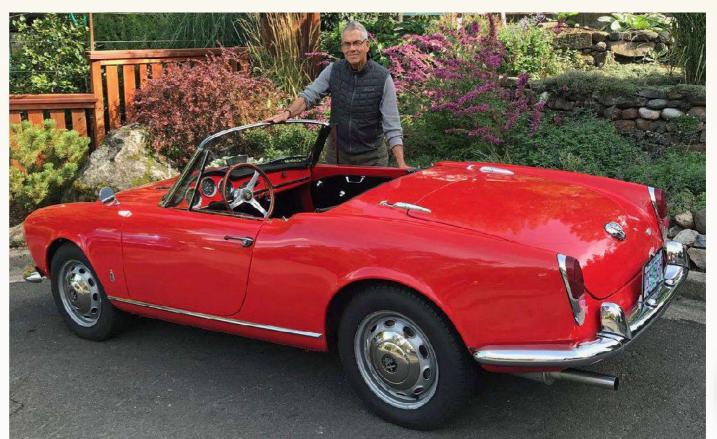
1965 Giulia Spider





I've decided, moving into my 80s, to part with my 1965 Giulia Spider. I bought this car from Dan Summers (Veloce Motors, Portland, Gervais) in 2000. Dan did the majority of the restoration on this rust-free, dent-free but pretty uncared for Alfa over a number of years. I took possession in 2004. The car is in Ashland and currently looked after by Dan Buckley (Sports Car Solutions in Ashland) The car is in fine condition, a strong runner and fully functional. I'm happy to talk about the car and Dan can talk about any technical/condition questions you may have. I'm seeking an offer in the \$50K area.

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OEM 9" 101 series tail light assembly restored







OEM 9" 101 series tail light assembly restored. New tail light to body mounting gasket, a new lens gasket, all new SS hardware, and all new light bulbs. The lens is useable, though not pristine. One may notice that the signal portion of the lens isn't amber, it's red. It's the original stock lens.

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For Sale 1982 Spider Veloce SCCA ITB Race-car

- 2011 Annual Inspection
- Charcoal Metallic, Silver Graphics
- 12 Campagnolo Wheels
- "Beck" Orion Motorsports Suspension
- Spares, Canopy, Towing Cover
- Trailer with box, tire rack, hitch
- Bell Helmet, Suit
- \$18,000, complete.
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The car and trailer are located in Portland.





The Back Seat



