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What an incredible AROO Autumn!



Who We Are

AROO (Alfa Romeo Owners of Oregon) is a car club celebrating Alfa Romeo cars and lifestyle. We have more than 200 individual members throughout Oregon and the Pacific Northwest. AROO is affiliated with the national Alfa Romeo Owners Club. Our club mailing address is:

6505 SE Stark St., Portland, OR 97215

AROO website: www.alfaclub.org

AROC website: www.aroc-usa.org



We welcome Alfa owners, admirers and lovers of our beautiful Italian machines. To join, go to the AROC web site, click on "Membership" and follow the prompts to join AROC. At the prompt, choose AROO (Alfa Romeo Owners of Oregon) as your club.

Meetings and Events

Our club holds events throughout the year! We often meet the third Wednesday of each month. Our calendar of events is posted at the right, and on our web site [HERE](#) and includes General Meetings, tours, tech sessions, picnics/eateries, and more.

Join the Conversation!

Go to our Social Media sites for up-to-the-minute information on events and happenings.



2024 AROO Board of Directors

The AROO Board meets most months on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm via ZOOM. All members are encouraged to join us. Please reach out to the Club President to receive a ZOOM invite.

Click on the name below to email us!

- Board President: [Steve Davis](#)
- Board Vice-President: [Steve Hunker](#)
- Board Secretary: [Cindy Banzer](#)
- Board Treasurer: [Sue Halton](#)
- Ex-Officio/Ex-President: [Chris Bright](#)
- Board Members: [Lila Dale](#)
[Paul Eklund](#)
[Frank Filice](#)
[Tom Gammons](#)
[Ian Lomax](#)
[Doug Zaitz](#)

Minutes for all Board Meetings are posted on the AROO web site [HERE](#)

In this Issue...

- Recaps and photos of our amazing autumn activities
- The AROO Holiday Party - are you coming?

On the cover - A few pictures from the events in the last few months!

2024 AROO Calendar of Events!

Links to register/RSVP or Recaps in [<Green>](#)

Event Name	2024 Date
Annual Valentines Tour/Lunch	Sun, 2/18
General Meeting - Old Spaghetti Factory	Wed, 2/21
Rally School	Sat, 3/9
Rally Cup #1	Sun, 3/10
General Meeting	Wed, 3/20
Rally Cup #2	Sun, 4/7
General Meeting - Alfas in LeMons	Wed, 4/17
Rally Cup #3	Sun, 5/5
45th Old Spider Tour/Giulietta 70th Anniv	Sat, 5/18
AROC NATIONAL CONV - MICHIGAN	5/28-6/2
4th Annual SummerFun Tour/Picnic	Sat, 6/1
Tech Session/General Meeting - 503/Sauber <RSVP>	Wed, 6/26
Rally Cup #4 - TOUR & DINNER! <Registration>	Sun, 6/30
Summer Tour - Salem-Gearhart-Kalama <INFO>	Fri-Sun, 6/14-16
Northwest Classic Challenge	CANCELED CANCELED
Alfa Wannabe Tour - Historic Lodges <INFO>	July 4-15
Annual Wine Tour/Picnic	Sat, 7/20
Forest Grove Concours	Sun, 7/21
Monterey Car Week	8/9-8/18
New Car Tech Session	POSTPONED
General Meeting - Old Spaghetti Factory	Wed, 9/18
Alfetta 50th Anniv Tour to Haugland Collection	Sat, 9/21
Annual Old Super Tour	Sat, 10/12
General Mtg	Wed, 11/20
Annual Holiday Dinner & Tour	Sun, 12/8



What - the end of the year already???

We've had a full slate of activities this fall, and it's hard to believe we are nearing the end of the year... the get-your-Alfa-out-and-enjoy-it year, anyway!

I couldn't go much longer without sharing some photos of my Alfetta, now done (OK, are they ever?) and out in the wild and posing for photographs. This has been a five-year labor of love that attendees to our annual picnic have seen from rotisserie to primer to paint... and now to this! Of course, now I don't want to drive it in the wind and rain, so I look forward to a few more nice days and a few more shake-down runs... wow does it drive, shift and steer nicely! Those that came out to the Haugland Collection tour saw it literally on it's first day out... plan to come to events next year to see more of it!

We are busy planning our final event of the year - our AROO holiday party on December 8th. Info in this issue and in a postcard heading your way. Please join us and celebrate a wonderful AROO year!

Join the AROO Board of Directors!

Are you interested in having a direct part of the event planning, organizing and operation of AROO? If so, please consider joining the Board of Directors! The Board meets monthly. Members are elected for a two year term. If you are interested, please send me an email by clicking [HERE](#) or send to president@alfaclub.org.

Please let me know by November 22nd.



It's time to RSVP for the last AROO event of the year, our annual Holiday party!



As before, we are holding it at Migration Brewing on Sunday, December 8.

This event usually brings the biggest turnout of AROO'ers and their partners. The beer, cider and wine at Migration is awesome, the pizzas are delicious, and the conversation is lively. Each year we have a silent auction of parts, memorabilia, objects d'history and objects d'art that adds to the AROO treasury and makes lots of winners happy. We also announce the winners of the annual AROO Rally Cup and hand out special awards to exceptional members of our club.

This is the best opportunity to meet fellow AROO'ers in a casual and relaxed environment. You should all be receiving a postcard soon with details and a reservation email... but you can click the red button below to register right now! Please come join us as we close out a truly incredible year of events and fun!

Here are the details:

- **When:** Sunday, December 8th
- **Gather at 5:30pm for Appetizers & No Host Beer/Wine; 6:00pm Dinner - Salads, Pizzas & Holiday Treats**
- **Where:** [Migration Brewing](#), Gresham
- **18188 NE Wilkes, Rd, Portland, OR 97230**
- **Pay for your own drinks, and dinner is on AROO!**

As in the past, we are collecting an unwrapped toy for a donation to Doermbecher Children's Hospital... please donate!

RSVP - Click the red button, or [HERE to RSVP](#) by email, or call Cindy Banzer at 503-709-7277.

Please let us know how many are coming!

Donate to AROO's Incredible Silent Auction!

Do you have some Alfa-stuff that is sitting there waiting to be enjoyed by another AROO'er? Memorabilia, models, catalogs, special (no swap meet) parts, art, or curiosities? Plan to bring them to the Holiday dinner and help AROO's treasury! Please let Steve Davis know via email [HERE](#) what it is you are bringing. And bring \$\$\$ to buy! One person's closet castaways are another person's treasure!

We had a great turnout for AROO's tour of Alex and Amy Haugland's collection in Eugene. A beautiful day for the drive down from Portland, and we also had people coming up and over from different parts of Oregon. The collection did not disappoint, and Alex, our host, shared some incredible tidbits of information about his cars - he knows just about everything about every one of them! Following the collection tour, we went to a food truck court in Coburg for a many-choice lunch - everything from Mexican to BBQ to Fish to Burgers—it was all there!

Thank you to Alex and Amy for a wonderful day. Let's do this again!



Alex (polo shirt) talking about his very rare (1 of 3) "Zimp" a Zagato-bodied Hillman Imp. So Cool!



Photos by Steve Davis

Not satisfied with one excellent adventure,
Bill and Marion led two Old Super Tours!



HOOOLIGAN'S EXCELLENT ADVENTURE

THE 2024 AROO
GIULIA SUPER TOUR



OCTOBER 12, 2024 - 10 AM

An Oregon Two-Lane-Blacktop Adventure



Photos by Chris Bright and Bill Gillham

An incredible turnout and some jaw-dropping cars! Nearly 50 people came out to Bob Piacentini and Bill Daemke's event at their shop in Portland. In the shop were the stuff of dreams - Chris Bright's Maserati re-creation, a Lancia Stratos, Bob's SZ, and more.



Our hosts—thanks Bob and Bill!



Photos by Ian Lomax, John Clemson, David Ferriday

Local parts and/or services for our vehicles that members have recently used with satisfactory results. If you have had a good experience with a 'local' vendor please share it with the club.

PDX Metro

[Beaverton Auto Upholstery](#), Beaverton, OR - installed interior package on 74 GTV. 9/23

[Automotive Outfitters](#), SE Portland, tires for 88 Verde. 8/21

[Nasko Imports](#), SE Portland - Long time Alfa support

[Botta Moto Works](#), N Portland, high performance vehicle repair and maintenance. 8/23

[Ereminas Alfa Parts](#), Newberg, OR - Big selection new & used on eBay or Call Marc - 503.290.4958

[Wilson Radiator](#), Vancouver, WA - old-school radiator shop

[Bartosh Import Auto Parts](#), Vancouver, WA - long-standing independent import car parts shop

[Trackside Motorsports](#), Kenton, NE PDX

Acme Welding Body Shop: 503-230-1873 - Great sheet metal straightening. 610 SE Salmon St, Portland, OR 97214

P J Markovich - Brightwork repair (but not polishing):
503-998-2047 (works out of his house)

Ron's Front End & Brakes: (503) 775-8189 Alignments. They understand our old cars. 5912 SE Foster Rd, Portland, OR 97206

[Automotive Outfitters](#)... Tire/Wheel Store. Ship your Tire Rack stuff there. (503) 772-0654 8324 SE Foster Rd, Portland

Guy Recordon Interiors, (503) 224-8657, 2400 NE Holladay, PDX

Tom Black's Garage (Autobody), (503) 239-0227, 2400 NE Holladay, Portland (same as above)

Eugene/Central Willamette Valley

[Vintage Underground](#) - Eugene - high-end restorations

[Bill Gillham/Hooligan Racing](#) - Jefferson - Giulietta Specialists

[Springer Machine Shop](#) - Eugene - Engine balancing & Head work on Alfa 2L - 4/23

[Precision Classics](#) - Paint, Bodywork, Custom - 8/22

[Glass Magnum](#) - Eugene - Glass installs for European & exotics - 541-465-1811

Add More To This List!

Let's make this list the authority on places to take your Alfa or other special car for anything - service, paint, engine work, upholstery, etc.

If you have had a good experience with a car-related business, please email [Frank Filice HERE](#), so we can get it onto this list and expand it to a full page! We want recommendations from PDX Metro, Central Willamette, Southern Oregon and the Bend/Sisters areas.

Do you know AROO is on facebook! If not, you should join! All our events are posted there, and many members post photos of events... some of them mid-event for up-to-the-second information! It's also a place for idea sharing and comments about our cars. You may not be a fan of social media, but this is one site you should join! Click over there -> to visit & join.





How's this for an 'art shot' looking over the hood of Alex Haugland's 1933 Rolls Royce toward his 1965 Aston Martin DB5