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RALLY-ELECTIONS-BUFFET-DANCE

The above headlines look like coming events, but it isn't. It is all one occasion. Our annual election meeting to be held this Saturday evening, December 14, 1963. The activities will start at our regular meeting spot at Little Lake Park in Santa Fe Springs, at 7:30 PM. For those of our 103 members who only wish to vote for the next years Board of Directors, they may do so at this time. Ed Gustin and the Nominating Committee will have ballots available at this time. For all members and guests who are going to participate in the balance of the evenings events; a short navigational type rally will be run down to Morgan Hall in Long Beach, where the balance of the activities shall take place. This will be a very easy type rally run, with no equipment needed except possibly a flashlight so you may read the directions easier. In approximately 56.12 minutes you will be at Morgan Hall, 835 Locust Avenue, Long Beach 13. At about 9:30 Pm will be a short business meeting and election of Board. Prizes for the rally, raffle prizes, dance, food, drinks etc. The new officers for next year will also be announced as soon as tabulated. The cost will be \$1.00 per car for rallying and \$5.00 per couple for all else. (Except liquor.) All members and their associate members eligible to vote and guests welcome to all other activities.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14 -- 7:30 to 8:15 PM -- LITTLE LAKE PARK
 ABOUT 9:30 PM -- MORGAN HALL, Long Beach.

AROSC JANUARY BUSINESS MEETING:

On Friday, January 17, 1964 will be held the regular business meeting. At Little Lake Park, 10900 South Pioneer Blvd., Santa Fe Springs. Just north of the Santa Ana freeway near Florence. On the program will be a speaker on the Pirelli line. Also film on racing. Come and give the new Board of Directors a welcome, and your support for the coming year.

"NOT JUST A THICK JUICY STEAK BUT A BIG THICK JUICY STEAK"

Coming soon: The annual AROSC Installation Banquet at the WESTWARD HO.

The Date: Saturday, January 25, 1964.

The Time: 8:00 PM

The Place: Westward Ho Steak House, 541 S. Arroyo Parkway, Pasadena

The Agenda: Dinner, Installation, Speaker. (This will be the January Event, Guests welcome.)

The Food: 12 oz. top sirloin steak with all the trimmings.

The Price: \$4.00 per person, everything included.

Reservations: In order to obtain a banquet room of adequate size the Westward Ho must be provided with an accurate count of the number who plan to attend. For this reason this event will be on a reservation plan. Please send your check to:

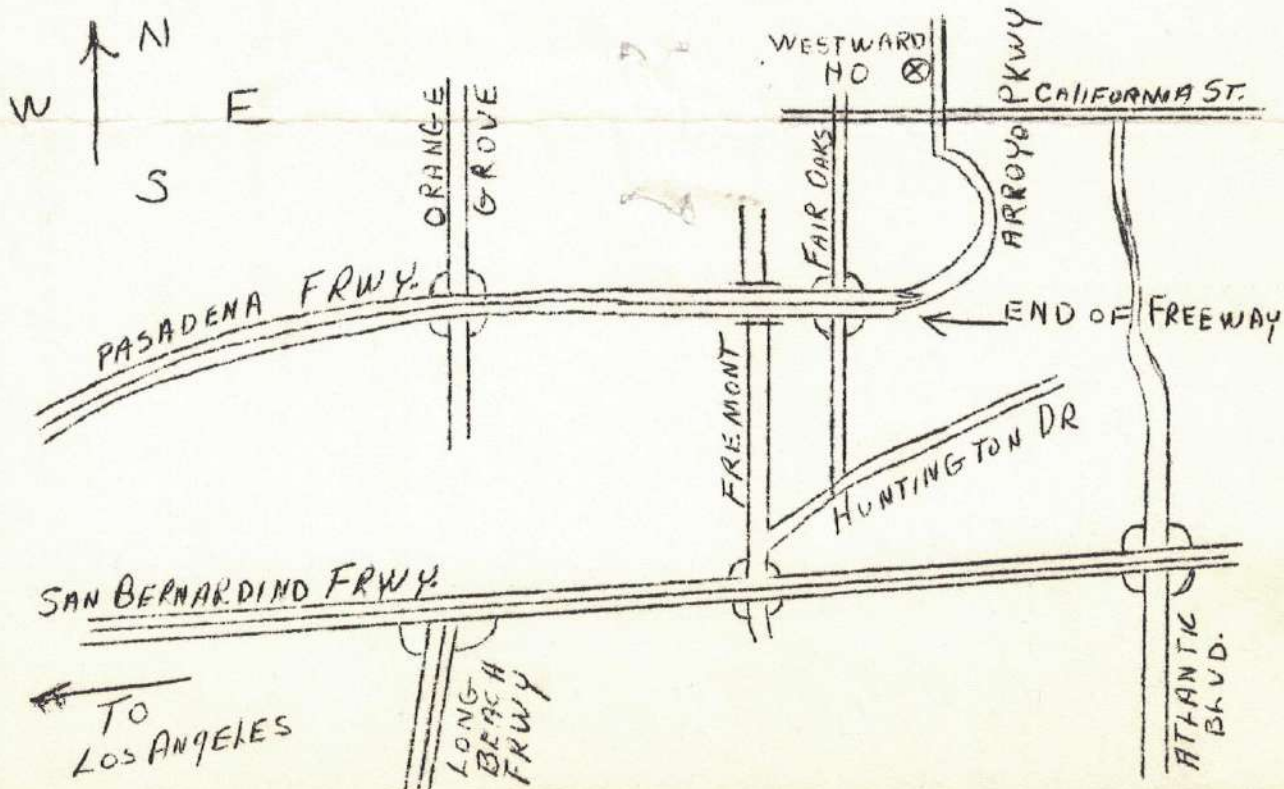
George Eickhoff
5610 Orange Avenue
Long Beach 5, California.

Make checks payable to Alfa Romeo Owners of So. Calif.

The Parking: If you bring the ALFA, a special park-it-yourself arrangement has been made for you to park next to the Westward Ho lot, in the Vic's Car Wash lot; now on the other hand, if you bring the family sled, the Westward Ho valet will park it for you.

Information: Contact George Eickhoff at (213) 423-4621.

All reservations must be in by January 15, 1964, or earlier.



WELCOME WAGGIN:

Daniel and Beverly Cummings, 12906 Lakewood Blvd., Apt. 10, Downey.

TECHNICAL:

Bob Greig has changed the toggle switches in his Sprint from the stock to the Lucas # S-26. He has found them to be very satisfactory, available locally, and attractive. They have very good connections and are very nearly noiseless. Large handles in either black or white. \$1.95 each.

Ted Medley has had difficulty with the fuel gauge. It reads FULL all the time. This is fine, but even ALFAS shouldn't get this kind of mileage. After 3 hours checking of panel instrument, tank sending unit, wiring etc. it was finally discovered that the fuel tank WAS NOT GROUNDED properly. A positive ground was obtained by a short length of flexible lead and the gagesis operating normally again. This was on a 1961 Standard Spider that had been converted to a Bendix electric fuel pump (flexible-connections from tank) over 1 1/2 years previous.

Many persons have asked about replacement shock absorbers. The following is information copied directly from Gabriel parts catalog:

For 1300's (probably 1600's)

Front - # 45001	Gabriel Heavy Duty <u>Adjustable</u> (3 positions)
Rear - # 45138	" " " "
Front - # 63191	Gabriel X-Tra Heavy Duty Adjustable (Silver B)
Rear - # 63185	" " " "

WHEELSPIN??? from J. Walter Thompson Co., Courtesy Champion Spark Plugs
 Jim Clark lapped Indy again, averaging 149.9 mph in a LOTUS with Ford's double-overhead cammer. Testing started with fuel injection, but changed to Webers to get near 150 mark. FORD will go into Formula I racing in '65 when displacement limit goes to 180 cubes; meanwhile, their 90-in. V8 is putting out 200 hp. @10,000 rpm...PORSCHE will go for mfr's. points with "904"--wild-looking plastic GT...LANCIA developing a new GT with 130-hp., rear-mounted V6 for '64 enduros...Three Falcons entered in RAC rally. Wise rallyists are equipping their cars with safety gadget that flashes ALL parking and tail lights at once... Smith's printed instrument circuit board is already being used on new Corsair; destined for wide usage...BRABHAM team will quit or hand over to Rob Walker or other Esso-approved successor; so Jack can drive for HONDA?...SIROCCO F-1 team disbanding...PONTIAC "re-considering" lts no-racing policy...
ALFA GIULIA "VELOCE" COMING SOON...Meadowdale Raceways to be sold or shuttered...Dick Doane's Sting Ray "Gran Sport" sold to Mecom. For Nassau? The RAF will field a team of COOPER-MINIS for Nassau...SUNBEAM Alpine with COBRA V8 (touted here months ago) now official: \$3500 price tag should do what COBRA was supposed to, saleswise. Watch Rootes go! Dan Gurney has been named technical consultant to Alcoa...Colin Chapman out to prove automatic transmission superior to manual for F-1 racing... VALIANT sports-type coupe due for mid '64...RENAULT R-8 to get Dauphine automatic transmission; a new 1500cc., front-wheel drive model in the offing...British financial circles touting Chrysler-Rootes merger.

