



# Alfacionada

Alfa Romeo Owners  
of  
Southern California

## ARRIVEDERCI by Mark

It seems to me as if it was just a short time ago that I was wishing all members and friends a Happy New Year in the January edition of the Alfacionada. But here I am, twelve months later, wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and....why not, a Happy 1970!

The past year has been in my opinion, one of the best and most active years since I can remember. Our thanks should be extended to a very dedicated board, headed by our retiring president, Dale Jones. Our relationship with A.R.I. has been the closest ever, thanks to the efforts of Mr. Pietro Stoccoro, its director and a firm believer that the relation between Alfa Romeo Inc., and Alfa owners should always be at the highest level.

1969 was the year of the introduction of the new "1750" fuel injected Alfas and also a year of satisfaction in the racing field, especially for us in Southern California.

I would like to express my personal thanks to everyone who has contributed to "Alfacionada" with interesting articles. Above all my thanks to my wife, Lillian, who made the printing of "Alfacionada '69" possible with her translating and typing. (You are welcome)

I kept my promise to have twelve newsletters in 1969 and to have them in the mail before the monthly meetings. A large portion of the merit goes to Dale Jones, who took the newsletter to the printer every month and then addressed and mailed it. This is what is known as the winning formula in all facets of life: TEAM WORK!

Last but not least, I would like to wish a very successful year to the new board of directors and to Tom Atkins, our new Alfacionada editor for 1970.

## NEW BOARD FOR 1970

Elections were held at the November meeting and the following are the 1970 board members:

<u>President</u>	<u>Vince Giobbe</u>
<u>V. Pres. and A.R.I. co-ordinator</u>	<u>M. Marcantoni</u>
<u>Editor</u>	Tom Atkins
<u>Secretary</u>	(to be decided)
<u>Treasurer</u>	Karen Thompson
<u>Slalom Chairman and SCC SCC rep.</u>	Loren Smith
<u>Technical Chairman</u>	<u>Alan Ward</u>
<u>Entertainment</u>	Tom Suter
<u>Door Prizes</u>	(to be decided)
<u>Membership Chairman</u>	<u>Oscar Du Fau</u>

The two unfilled positions will go to Phyllis Gaylard or Charles Camp, to be decided at the January board meeting.



1969 CHRISTMAS PARTY

On December 6, the annual club Christmas party was held at the new residence of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Suter. As I had predicted, Sunday evening they were still in a state of shock. I imagine Pat thinks that one of the hurricanes so common on the southeast coast went through her house.

Everyone that showed up had an excellent time and I hope that all made it back to their homes without too much trouble. The bar was open until 4:30, and there was plenty of food left over for an early morning snack. We were honored by a large and selective group of representatives from ARI and their spouses. We also had the pleasure of having Scooter Patrick and his beautiful and charming wife, Marianne. Scooter had so good a time that he wanted to stay Sunday, too! I guess the fault was of the Coca-cola made in Puerto Rico that he was drinking.

Mr. Stoccoro and ARI kindly delighted us with a splendid gift of twelve bottles of Italian Spumante (champagne) which we managed to drink to the last drop. Also donated by ARI were the beautiful door prizes, mainly six sets of six miniature Alfa models plus other interesting gifts.

Our 1969 president, Dale Jones, was presented with an engraved "beer mug" showing our appreciation for the good work done as our chief. He promptly filled the same with champagne and down it went. After repeating this two or three times, he insisted he could see "undressed" girls through the glass bottom of the mug. I was not surprised. After all, the champagne was...Italian!

Around 4:30 A.M., the last group of us, which included five board members and the outgoing president, adjourned to an "always open" restaur-

ant for more (you guessed right) food. What appetites! Finally, at 5:30, the last two remaining couples, Vince and myself gathered out sleepy wives and headed home for some well deserved rest.

JANUARY MEETING AT ARI IN EL SEGUNDO

By the kind offer of Mr. Pietro Stoccoro, western region director, the ARI facilities in El Segundo will again be ready to host our regular club meeting for January. (Please do not go to the Little Lake Clubhouse, as you will find no one.)

We will have an unforgettable evening with many different "goodies" on the program. Mr. Stoccoro will tell us what we can expect for 1970 as far as new Alfas are concerned. Mr. Scooter Patrick will speak about the recent victory with the P33 in Daytona. Mr. Otto Zipper will also be on hand and you can be sure he will bring the "33" for you to enjoy. Mr. Stoccoro also promised to contact owners of unusual and vintage Alfas and invite them to our meeting with their machines.

Refreshments will be offered by ARI. Also, a racing film starring Alfa cars. All in all it will be a memorable evening. Don't miss it! REMEMBER THE DATE. FRIDAY, JAN. 16, 8:00P.M. BRING A FRIEND INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR CLUB.

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DAYTONA NOVEMBER 30, 1969  
SCCA RUN OFF CHAMPIONSHIP

The 1969 racing season for SCCA cars ended Sunday, November 30, in Daytona, Florida. Alfa Romeo cars and drivers were well represented. Scooter Patrick, driving Otto Zipper's "P33", won first place as expected in class "B" S/R. Second, was a Braham car with an Alfa 2 liter engine. In Class "C" sedans, Harry Theodoracopulos from the northeast region, won easily with an Alfa GTA Jr. Our friend, Jeff Kline, took a well deserved third place after spinning on a turn and passed by all the other cars. A thirty minute race is too short to make a mistake like that and hope to come back and win. In Class "G" production, Paul Spruell with an Alfa Spyder 1300 managed to take the checkered flag. Other Alfas took second and fourth places, not bad, considering the competition.

Our congratulations to all the Alfa drivers and especially to Scooter and Jeff for a job well done.

NOVEMBER 30, 1969 WAS A WINNING DAY FOR "33" IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE!

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