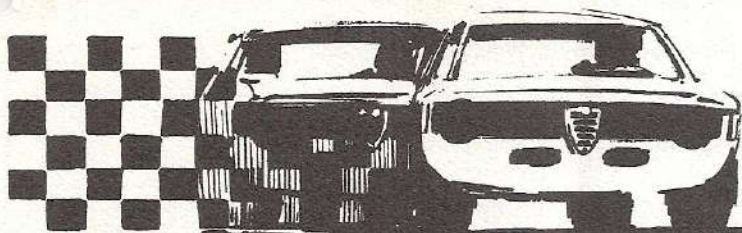


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## ALFA EXPO WEST

BY KALO PIEQUET

"You don't have to be a weatherman to know which way the wind is blowing"--towards Alfa Expo West and the best National Meeting ever held by Alfa.

AROSC is hosting the 1971 National Meeting on June 18, 19, 20. Cognizant of the adages about the early bird and he who hesitates, the Planning Committee has things well mapped out already.

Accommodations will be at the all new, all capacious, all everything Royal Coach Inn, just around the corner from Disneyland. This hotel is set up in a very posh old English style that would please even a nationalistic Italian. (It's got the pubs--bring your own wench.)

For the track events, AROSC has gone all the way to the top of the line--Ontario Motor Speedway (The big "O" in more camp terms.) You need to see the physical plant of this track to understand why it has gotten so much publicity and understand just where the future of auto racing is headed. For these reasons alone, it is worth the trip. Everyone will have his chance to get out on the track all day Saturday to do his thing, whether it's slalom, time trials, drag, spectating,

or a little of all four. But do save some energy for the more social events.

There will be a wet reception (this doesn't mean a pool), cocktail party, banquet, brunch, concourse, and an abundance of awards and prizes. Discount tickets will be available for places like Disneyland, Marineland, Briggs Cunningham Automotive Museum, and all the other attractions that make Southern California the entertainment center of the country. You ask for it--we can probably arrange it.

In order to help the Planning Committee do some planning, we have enclosed a self-addressed, stamped survey card. Please complete the card and drop it in the mail no later than January 15 (the sooner the better). PLAN NOW TO BE THERE!!

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### '71 Dues Due!

Just because 1970 has been the best year ever for AROSC, don't think we're slowing down any for '71. We've opened a new era of cooperation with the national club, AROC, starting right off with a special combined dues and

DUES ARE DUE (cont.)

membership agreement. All members of our club will henceforth be automatically enrolled as members of AROC at half price (\$5.00). This entitles you to full AROC service, including the National newsletter, availability of the Competition Advisory Service, and participation in all National events (such as ALFA EXPO WEST). It also entitles AROSC to full chapter privileges, such as liability insurance for our own competition events. We in Southern California have been pressing hard for this agreement in recent years, now let's back it up. Don't hesitate! Send \$10 NOW for your combined 1971 membership to Blake Morris, AROSC, P.O. Box 261, Los Alamitos, Cal.

Jan. Meeting

ARI will host our special annual meeting at the El Segundo facility on January 15, at 8 PM. This is always a big event, and this year you'll be able to give the new 1971 cars a thorough going-over (finally). We'll have guest speakers, cars on display, free refreshments - all your heart could desire! And, of course, if you haven't had a chance to wander around the ARI service shop- it's a must. This is the biggie of the year - plan to make it.

Calendar of Events

- Jan 15 - AROSC Meeting at Alfa Romeo Inc, 200 S. Douglas, El Segundo.
- Jan 15 - Deadline for ALFA EXPO WEST survey cards.
- Jan 16 - SCCSCC Dinner Dance and Trophy presentation- call Loren Smith (923-0273).

Electrical Problems

Have you ever started up your '67 GTV, Super, or Duetto and had the generator warning light startle you by coming on bright when you rev up, but going off at idle? One member asked about it at our last club meeting and, lo and behold, four or five others had experienced the same problem (myself included). Since it seems to be a common occurrence, yours may do it tomorrow and you may want to know how to fix it. Well, the most common solution is simply to clean the ignition fuse and terminals ... you didn't know Alfas had a fuse in the ignition circuit? Oh yes - about the only car I know that does. Anyway, clean it thoroughly and bend the contacts in slightly to increase contact pressure. If that doesn't fix it (it usually will), check and clean the contacts of the wires running from the ignition switch to the voltage regulator and generator. The connectors often loosen and become corroded. Finally, failing all else, check under the backing plate of the generator - there is a wire connecting the two field coils which can rub against the generator case, wearing out the insulation and causing an intermittent short. Still can't find the problem?? Oh well - drive it (with a sigh) to Alfa Romeo Inc., 200 S. Douglas, El Segundo. Tell them AROSC sent you.

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For Sale

1962 Sprint Veloce. 1400 c.c., 5-speed. Extensive engine overhaul, including clutch 5 new radials, new shocks, comp. swaybar, good paint and chrome. Asking \$1,200. Contact Stan Thomsson, 10021 St. Charles Ave. Cypress, Ca. 90630 (714) 748-1477 Work- (213) 748-2477 x301

## For Sale

Becker Europa FM-AM Radio 12 or 6 volts. AND 1600 Veloce Camshafts also fits 1300 101 series AND Tonneau (new) for 1600 Spyder EACH ITEM \$35 or offer. and WANT TO BUY Hardtop for 2600 spyder Contact Vincent Cobb-653-5439

1965 Gulia 1600 Spyder, good to fine condition mechanically, new tires, in need of cosmetic work CONTACT Mark Field, 213 Paseo De Suenos, Redondo Beach, Ca 90177 Tel (213) 375-5663

2 each, Weber DCO-3, new, unused, ideal for restoring a 750 series engine \$50. Contact Gary Boehm, 157 Los Angeles Ave. Oxnard, Ca, phone 805 483-2581 AND WANTED -- 1300-101 cylinder head Contact Gary Boehm - same as above

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