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DRIVER'S SEAT

by Sid Keely

The monthly meeting of the ALFA Romeo Owners of Southern California seemed to be bewitched from its beginnings this past October. I suspect the vampires and ghouls had most of our Alfisti in their lairs sampling of their wares.

For those who did turn out I had some pretty interesting news bits to pass along. Just so that those of you out there who missed the meeting won't feel left out here's what I mean:

We will be having elections during the November meeting of AROSC. It is imperative that all our paid membership turn out for this meeting! Our bylaws require that we have a quorum of 35% of our paid membership present to hold election of new officers. I feel it to be each of the members obligation to turn out for this very important meeting. This is the time when each of you can make your choice for the member you wish to represent you in the actions of AROSC. There are some very fine people running for positions on the board for 1978! They need your support in winning a spot to serve you.

Of course you can also voice your opinion for write-ins too. You must be present to do this. I realize this is the Thanksgiving day weekend and many of you have plans, but, why not come out and give AROSC a couple of hours of your time to make for a better and bigger fun-filled 1978 by electing those people who will support the ideas that make ALFAs and comraderie the reason for pleasure.



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Social Sid Keely
Competition/ Technical Al Cortez
Charlie Thieriot

Just as a little enticement to those of you who might decide to just sit and watch TV and sip your toddies our man with the seran has made arrangements to have the films made during the 1977 LBGP and Formula 5000 for our viewing pleasure. Mike has gone to a lot of trouble in setting up these arrangements. I'm sure those out there who missed this International event during its running will wish to see the super race of the year in full color on our giant screen!

Don't let this weekend of relaxation stop there though! We have planned for you the Annual White Turkey and Auction Sale, plus a mini-concours to be held in the parking lot of the HOME BANK located on the corner of Pine and Katella in the city of Los Alamitos. See map elsewhere for directions on how to get there. The date of this biggie is November 26 beginning at 9:00 AM for those of you who will be showing your beautiful ALFAs. Judging will begin at 10:00 AM. You can get more info from Joe Richardson on the particulars just by dialing 213 442-2331. Immediately following the concours we will have our White-Turkey and Auction Sale so bring all your ALFA goodies and be prepared to see them move. You are expected to support the treasury of AROSC with 10% of your sales or \$10.00 with \$1.00 minimum as has been in the past. Those who wish to donate their parts for sale to the highest bidder may do so with the proceeds going to AROSC's treasury.

As you know from the past, December holds forth the annual Christmas party with NO monthly meeting being held. We will not dissappoint you. A super evening of good Italian pasta, delicious sauce made from an old Sicilian recipe with meatballs, sweet Italian sausages, and morsels of pork ribs all served up with hot garlic toast and fresh crisp garden salad and some of California's finest squeezings all prepared for the

appetites of AROSC's connoisseurs at the unheard of price of \$7.50 per couple or \$4.00 single. It is BYOB for those of you who wish to tipple during cocktail hour beginning at 7:30 PM. Dinner will sit at 8:00 Pm. The date for this last event of the year is set for December 17, 1977 and will be held in the clubhouse in Cypress Village Townhouses. The ladies who have put this together this super event for you have more than just planned a feast, they have put together some activities to make for a fun filled evening. Mark the date on your clendars and watch for a map showing the location in the next issue of ALFACIONADA.

One final note of the October meet is the approval by all the California ALFA Romeo car clubs to hold forth a meet during the early summer months of 1978. Watch for more particulars on this in the coming issues of ALFACIONADA. It is to be a weekend affair as I have previously mentioned in a past article and will be presented by all the regional clubs of California. Of course this depends on whether the Central group get off their asterisks and let us know if they are interested! Even if they aren't we will have this event for all to enjoy in 1978!

Hope to see all those missing faces and all those familiar ones at the November meeting. Don't forget! The date is Nov. 25, 1977 at 8:00 pm in the Alondra Park Clunhouse in Lawndale. The elections are important. Be there!!!



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Slaloms & Such

by Joe Richardson

The slalom season is over for this year, but the big news is our November biggie-election of new officers at our general meeting Friday the 25th, and the concours and White Turkey Sale on Saturday the 26th. For full details of where and when, see Sid's Driver's Seat column in this issue.

Concours judging will start at 10 Am which will give entrants time for that final touch-up. There will be a registration table where you will get forms, etc. Be prepared to lay 5 bucks on us to pay for the awards, printing etc. Even if you don't feel that your particular Alfa is all that great, enter anyway. Since this is a low key event, you might still take home an award.

The White Turkey Sale in the afternoon has been a tradition for several years, so dig out those Alfa goodies that you don't need and you might end up with a few extra bucks, to say nothing about making some Alfisti happy to find some hard to find items. Come on out and spend the day - we think you will enjoy it!

Concours Categories

1. Early 1900 and 2600 models
2. 750 and 101 series 1300 cc models
3. 105 series 1600 and 1300cc models
4. 1750 and 2000cc models
5. Classic and rare models, any disp.
6. Competition prepared, street licensed regardless of year, displ. or body style
7. same as above but not licensed

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| Paint and finish | 50 |
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| Seats and Upholstery | 25 |
| Coachwork and top | 20 |
| Trim and Glass | 15 |
| Floor Covering | 10 |
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Nov 25 AROSC general meeting
Alondra Park Clubhouse 8 PM
 - Nov 26 Mini - Concours and Car Display
Home Bank Parking Lot Los Alamitos judging starts 10 AM
 - Nov 26 White Turkey Sale and Auction
Home Bank Parking Lot in Los Alamitos 2 PM
 - Nov 29 Joint Board meeting with 1977 and 1978 members at Sid Keely's
6804 Southampton Dr. Cypress.
 - Dec 2 Time Trial Committee meeting
Charlie Thieriot's , 10350 Ilona West LA 556-2991
 - Dec 17 AROSC Christmas Party
see map elsewhere for location.
- There will not be a December general meeting, the Christmas party traditionally replaces this event.

Time Trial #5

by Charlie Thieriot

October 22 found us at Riverside Raceway again for our last Time Trial. It was an unusual event for several reasons, Alfa of Santa Monica sponsored the Time Trial, and Rolf Kielhecker (the General Manager) planned to arrive in his airplane by landing on the back straightaway. Unfortunately Rolf couldn't make it, but the Boy Scouts of America did. It seems that they had set up a meeting in the infield next to the esses. I took my Ferrari out on the track and screamed down to Turn 2 through the early morning fog. As I rounded Turn 2, I was alarmed to find the whole length of the esses strewn with broken beer bottles. It seems that the Scouts had found the bottles in the infield the night before and had thrown them on the track. They rapidly cleaned up the mess and I drove in the pits to unlock the garage. Inside the garage was a typically ugly prototype of a secret new model American car. As a result we had to relock the garage so as not to spoil their hideous secret.

Over one-third of our entries were novices so it promised to be an interesting day. Jerry Rosenstock brought out his newly purchased 1600 GTZ but due to a clogged fuel filter could not finish his timed runs. Dave Vegher won Class A and got his first "Top Time of the Day" award as a result. Tom Hines brought out his pretty right-hand drive GTA and won his class. It was inspiring to see Tom and Dave touring the track together in such similar cars and the Boy Scouts were cheering them on every lap. Dave Mredyth was second to Tom with an improvement of 1.5 seconds over his drive in the June Time Trial. Jordan Harris would have won his first Time Trial class after steady improvement all year. His time improved by six seconds since June. Unfortunately for Jordan, Wally Williams

had no competitors in Class E and was moved to Class D which he won. Wally has been driving constantly for two years now and has become a very good driver. His time of 2:25.45 is a new class-lap record breaking the one Alan Ward set in April, 1976 by a second. Rich Washington missed breaking the Class F lap record by .13 seconds and won his class for a second time. First time novice Mike Speery got second place with his Alfetta. Mike is very entertaining to watch drive as he is constantly seeing by how much he can exceed the limits of adhesion. Charlie Teale edged out Dan Bernstein by a very close .07 sec. margin. Raul Perez moved up to Class F and went over seven seconds faster than in June. Swain Williams gave himself a scare when his tire went flat and he spun out in Turn 2. Next time I think Swain will remember to raise his tire pressures before running the car on the track. Fred Zimmerman brought his pretty 1600 Sprint up from San Diego to

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Christmas Party!

We have the clubhouse on Gran Manor (off Knott between Katella and Oranewood in the city of Cypress)

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| katella | 7 ⁰⁰ cocktails |
| clubhouse | 8 ⁰⁰ dinner |
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| not to scale | \$7 ⁰⁰ couples |
| garden grove fwy | 4 ⁰⁰ singles |

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Big Spaghetti Feed !!

win Class G. Bill Loitz and Sally French shared Sally's car in Class H, with Bill beating Sally. Wait 'til next time Bill. Bob Barlow brought out his awe-inspiring full race-prepared 2000 GTV but unfortunately could not go fast enough due to a high-RPM power loss.

My congratulations to all the novices for a good, safe first-time out. I hope to see you again next year. It is very rewarding to see people come out with no prior experience and in a relatively short time turn into very good drivers. We thank Rolf of Alfa of Santa Monica for

sponsoring this event. His new dealership at 11th and Wilshire is a showcase that everyone should go see.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who came out and supported the Time Trials all year. Sue Bernstein and Nancy Vegher started early and stayed late all year. Dave and Kathy Rice kept the clocks ticking without missing a single car all year! Without this special kind of generous people it would be impossible to have ambitious programs like our Time Trials. Thanks again!

Time Trial #5 Sponsored by Alfa of Santa Monica

| | | * lap record | (N) Novice |
|----------------------|----------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Class A and B | | | |
| | Dave Vegher | 2000 GTA | 2:21.97 TTOD |
| | Jerry Rosenstock (N) | 1600 GTZ | DNR |
| | (B) Dave Rice | 1600 Spider | 2:23.78 |
| Class C | | | |
| | Tom Hines | 2000 GTA | 2:25.85 |
| | Dave Meredyth | 1300 Spider | 2:26.87 |
| Class D and E | | | |
| | (E) Wally Williams | 2000 GTV | 2:25.45 * |
| | Jordan Harris | 2000 Spider | 2:28.26 |
| | Phyllis Gaylard | 2000 GTV | 2:30.56 |
| | Jerry Wright | 1750 GTV | 2:31.42 |
| | Alan Gott | 2000 GTV | 2:33.72 |
| Class F | | | |
| | Rich Washington | 2000 Spider | 2:33.04 |
| | Mike Speery (N) | Alfetta Sedan | 2:36.06 |
| | Charlie Teale (N) | 2000 Spider | 2:37.72 |
| | Dan Bernstein | 1750 Spider | 2:37.79 |
| | Raul Perez | 1750 GTV | 2:45.85 |
| | Swain Williams (N) | 2000 Spider | 2:46.39 |
| Class G | | | |
| | Fred Zimmerman | 1600 Sprint | 2:37.10 |
| | Beverly Mayfield (N) | 1750 GTV | 2:51.76 |
| | Mel Butler | Alfetta Sedan | DNS |
| Class H | | | |
| | Bill Loitz (N) | 1600 Super | 2:55.17 |
| | Sally French (N) | 1600 Super | 2:57.28 |
| Class Z | | | |
| | Bob Barlow | 2000 GTV | 2:26.29 |

Time Trial #4

by Charlie Thieriot

Nineteen brave drivers entered AROSC's fourth Time Trial at Riverside on Saturday, August 13. Hollywood Auto Imports generously offered to sponsor this event on the famous 2.54 mile "short course". It was a nice summer day as we had a mild breeze which is common at the track this time of year. In a case of late night brain fade, I set my alarm one hour too late and in trying to reach the track quickly, I recieved a speeding ticket in some obscure dump named Chino. It was another tribute to the revenue-raising abilities of the CHP.

Practice set the stage for some interesting contests. Dave Vegher's beautiful GTV/A made its first hometown debut after it won every prize in sight at the national event. It looked like a good contest between Time Trial Directors Dave Vegher and Dave Rice for "Top Time of Day". The competition in Classes D and F also looked very close with three very fast drivers in each class in close contention for a win. Sid and Beth Keely once again cooked their increasingly popular barbequed lunch for everyone while various "closet racers" toured the track in all sorts of cars.

The afternoon competition turned out to be as close as had been expected. Dave Rice won Class C and "Top Time of Day" by going .14 seconds faster than Dave Vegher. Phyllis Gaylard was the most consistent driver of the day with only .6 second variation in her five timed laps and she won Class D. Second-time novice John Blair drove very well for a second place win. Jordan Harris followed John Blair for a third place only .27 seconds slower. Wally Williams garnered his fourth win in class E with a time even faster than that of Phyllis. Rich Wash-

ington, Verne Cochrane, and Don Swears had a very close contest in the near-stock Class F. When the results were in, Rich won, Verne got second and Don third with a speed of only .59 seconds seperating them.

Our thanks to Lars Lundgren and Dan Bergin of Hollywood Auto Imports for sponsoring the Time Trial. They are very nice people and quite enthusiastic about Alfas.



Lunchtime featured Sid Keely's Super-Duper Double Burgers. The contestants ate everything in sight.



Rich Washington, one of many winners shows off the engraved silver plate he won for top time in Class F with his 1974 2000 Spider.



The BEAR in command - Rick Clemente gives entrants the green flag to get things underway.

Text and photos are brought to you once again by Lou Liserani

Time Trial Committee Meeting

The annual broo-ha-ha will be at Charlie Thieriot's house, 10350 Ilona Ave. West LA on Firday Dec. 2 at 7:30 pm. This is the time of year for re-evaluating safety regulations, classification systems, and other Time Trial related discussion. Come if you wish to see changes in the Time Trial Code for next year. Call 556-2991 if you need directions or wish to suggest changes.



Rookie Bev Mayfield tries it for real on Turn 6 with Dan Bernstein close behind

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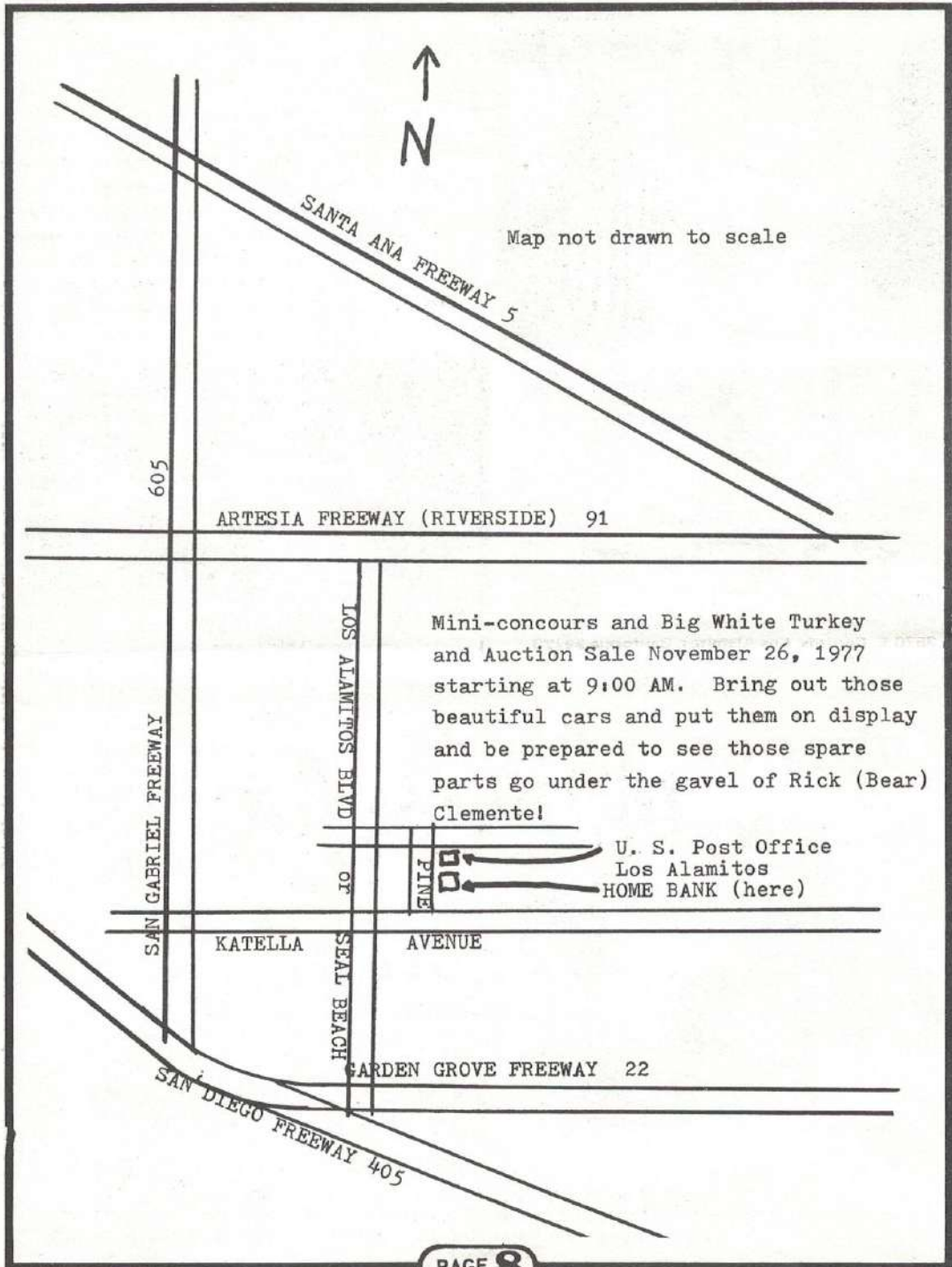
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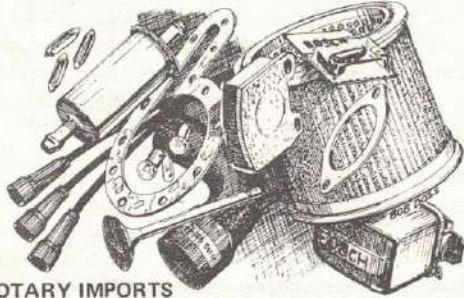
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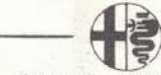
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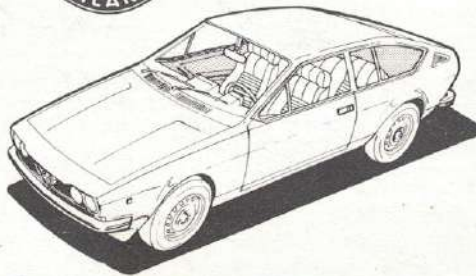
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