

# ALFACIONADA

ALFA ROMEO OWNERS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA



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## From the Pits



by Dave Vegher

Well, it's 1978 already and your new officers have been elected. They are:

Rick Clemente	Vice President
Dan Bernstein	Treasurer
Sally French	Secretary
Sue Berstein	Membership
Nancy Vegher	Editor
Charlie Thieriot	Competition
Debbie LaBorde	Social
Lou Liserani	Program
Mike Alaman	Program
Dave Vegher	President

Before I start telling you about all the happenings of '78, I want to say thanks from all of us to Sid and Beth Keely, Joe Richardson, Dick Gebhardt, and Tom Suter, along with all other members who helped make 1977 a memorable year.

1978 starts with the traditional gathering at Alfa Romeo, Inc., 215 So. Douglas, El Segundo. This event begins at 8:00 PM on Friday, January 27th, so come and join us at this annual meeting in the hallowed halls of ARL! The meeting will feature year end trophy awards, an introduction to the new Board members, a few exotic Alfas on display, and a very entertaining slide show, movie, or speaker.

This year will see five Time Trials, the first of which is sponsored by our dealer in Santa Monica, Alfa of Santa Monica, on February 18 at Riverside. (An entry form is provided in this issue.) We hope to see at least three of the very enter-

taining club gimmick rallies, one major and one minor concours, and a larger turn out for the SCCSCC slalom program.

Also, be sure to set aside the weekend of June 23, 24, & 25 for a unique program of Alfa fun put on by our own club and the other clubs of sunny California. More details will follow in your newsletter so be sure to read them thoroughly!

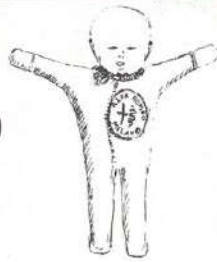
Lastly I would like to say that your officers and the board as a whole cannot manage AROSC affairs entirely on their own. We desperately need and require the help of all AROSC members to make the 1978 year the best possible. Let's start the year off right with a large turn out for the January meeting. We promise you that it will be a good one!!!



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jan 27	General Meeting - Alfa Romeo, Inc., El Segundo 8:00PM
Feb 18	AROSC Time Trial Riverside Can Am Course
Feb 24	Meeting Alondra Park Clubhouse
March 11	Tenative Rally
April 15	AROSC Time Trial Riverside
June 23, 24, & 25	Cal Alfa Regional
Aug 12	Party (Tenative)
Sept 30	AROSC Time Trial
Nov 11	AROSC Time Trial
Dec 16	Christmas Party (Tenative)

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## WELCOME

\*\*\*\*\* HELLO \*\*\*\*\*  
Don't miss getting your ALFACIONADA because you forgot to send in your 1978 dues!. Dues are now payable! Send them to AROSC, P.O.Box 261, Los Alamitos, CA 90720, ATTN:Sue Bernstein. Fees are \$20.00 for the year and include your spouse.

Membership cards will be sent in your coming newsletters. DO NOT send your money to the National Club, DO send your money to AROSC!:"

We will accept renewals through February but the February newsletter will be the last one you receive if you forget! Don't miss out on all the fun! Renew Now!

# JANUARY MEETING

FEATURING PHIL HILL AND RARE ALFAS

AROSC's Jan. 27th meeting at Alfa Romeo, Inc. in El Segundo will feature former World Champion Driver turned automobile restorer Phil Hill as guest speaker.

In addition, two vintage Alfas, the 1928 6C 1500 Sport of Jack Becronis (restored by Phil Hill) and Phil Hill's own early 1930's 6C 1750 GS will be on display. Mr. Hill will relate some of the problems encountered in the projects, and much of the time will be devoted to audience questions about the cars and restoration.

Also on display will be these Alfas:

\*Dave Vegher's AROC National Champion GTA/V

\*Mark Parkinson's award winning Giulia Sprint Speciale

\*Howard Jackson's Turbocharged GTV

\*(tentatively) Alan Ward's Road-Atlanta full race Spyder

This meeting presents a rare opportunity to listen and talk to Phil Hill and to see Alfas of this caliber. Mark your calendar now; FRI. JAN 27, 8 PM, ARI Headquarters, 215 Douglas St., El Segundo. See you there.

## TECHNICAL TIPS

### RAINY DAY BLUES

by Dave Vegher

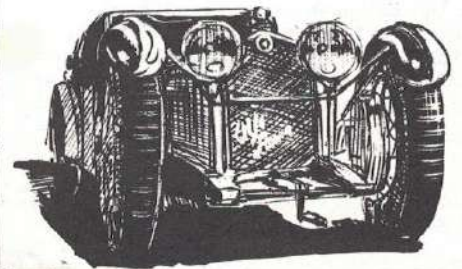
On 71 and later model Alfas, you will notice that the coil comes equipped with a resistor. This is to insure that your coil gets the proper amount of voltage on the positive (+) side when you start your car. As resistors grow old, they tend to have a reverse effect on the coil and you will have difficulty starting your car. Wet weather, such as we've had lately, will accentuate this problem. To remedy this you can eliminate the resistor temporarily by removing the resistor and attaching the hot lead from the ignition switch (usually a light green wire) to the positive side of the coil, and the lead from the distributor (a dark green or black wire) to the

negative side of the coil. THIS IS JUST TEMPORARY. As soon as you can, replace your coil with a high output Bosch or Lucas coil which you can get locally.

Make sure all your electrical connections are tight and insure good connections by liberal applications of WD40.

Be sure to have your black plastic distributor covers in place on the late model cars.

And as always, drive safe when the road is slick!



# LBGP '78

by Tom Suter

AROSC will be purchasing a block of tickets for the Long Beach Grand Prix on April 2nd to root for the Brabham-Alfa team. We will again be requesting seats at the end of the Queen's Hairpin, where we saw Andretti pass Scheckter to win the epic 1977 race.

Admission and reserved seating for Sunday only will be: \$25.00 for adults, \$19 for age 13-18, and \$13 for age 12 and under. Tickets valid for all three days are: \$30 for adults, \$22.50 for age 13-18 and \$13 for age 12 and under. Garage passes good for all three days are \$7.50.

If enough people buy garage passes, it is probable that they will cost us only \$2.50, but we need at least 50 garage passes purchased to be discounted.

Clearly printed orders should be accompanied by a check payable to AROSC and sent to:  
AROSC - att. Tom Suter  
PO Box 261  
Los Alamitos, CA 90720

Orders must be received by January 29, 1978. Anyone not willing to trust his tickets to the U.S. Mail can pick them up at the March 24 General Meeting. Based upon past experience, we will probably receive the tickets from the LBGP in early to middle March for mailing to individuals.

Ticket Order Form for the Long Beach Grand Prix  
please print clearly!!

Name:

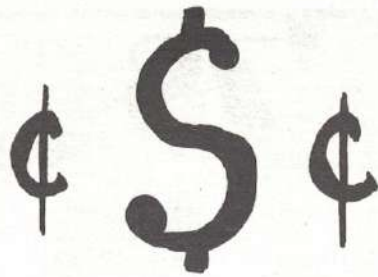
Address:

City and Zip:

I want: ( ) Adult Tickets for all 3 days at \$30.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) Age 13 - 18 " " at \$22.50 \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) Age 12 and under " " at \$13.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
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( ) Age 12 and under " " at \$13.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) Garage Passes at \$7.50 each \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

( ) Please mail my tickets to me  
( ) I will pick them up at the March 24th meeting.



TREASURER'S REPORT

by Dan Bernstein

Cash flow for calendar year 1977 is summarized on the following table: The sums indicated reflect monies received and paid out during the calendar year. As of Jan. 4, 1978, the date of the first meeting of the new board of directors, our bank balance was \$2714.59, and we had \$118.01 cash on hand.

INCOME

Dues	\$ 5801.25
Competition Events	\$ 3574.19
Social Events	\$ 616.07
Advertising	\$ 1212.50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$11204.01</b>

EXPENSE

Dues Split	\$ 2295.00
Printing & Mailing	\$ 2858.71
Competition Events	\$ 4182.18
Social Events	\$ 774.00
Miscellaneous	
Legal Fees	\$ 316.85
Franchise Tax Board	\$ 125.00
Advertisers Refund	\$ 87.50
SCCSCC Dues	\$ 50.00
Telephone	\$ 80.53
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10769.77</b>

Every transaction during the year was recorded in a ledger record book which is retained by the treasurer. It is therefore possible to determine total costs or income derived from specific items such as coffee and donuts, door prizes, speaking fees, trophies, etc.. Any questions regarding the club's finances should be directed to the treasurer.

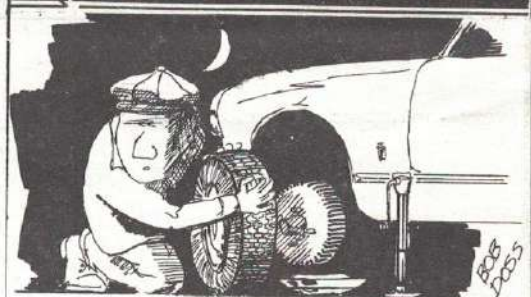
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RALLY

CAR DISPLAY

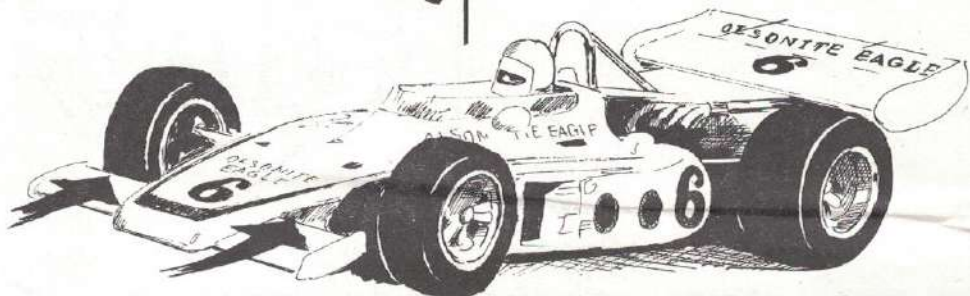
TIME TRIAL

SLALOM



RACING

\*\*\*\*\*NEW IMPORTANT SAFETY RULE\*\*\*\*\*  
Non-perforated gloves of leather or fire-proof material are mandatory. The requisit for anti-sub belts has been deleted. Be sure to consult your 1978 Competition Code (included in this mailing) for point and class changes. HAPPY TIME TRIALING!



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ENTRY FORM FOR AROSC TIME TRIAL NUMBER 1  
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Print last name.

Schedule 7:00 - 8:30 Tech. Inspection (NO LATE-TECH ALLOWED)

8:30 - 8:45 Driver's Meeting- MANDATORY

8:45 - 9:15 Track Orientation

9:30 - 12:00 Practice

12:00 - 1:00 Lunch

1:00 - 4:45 Warm-up and Timed Runs(5 laps)

5:00 - Awards Presentation and CLEAN-UP

FEE: \$20.00 SINGLE \$35.00 MIXED COUPLE \$5.00 LATE FEE (per person)

\*ENTRY DEADLINE TUES. FEB. 14 \*\*\* Since new classification forms must be filed each year, there is PRE-TECH on Thurs. Feb 20 from 8 - 10:00 PM at Veloce Motors West, 1647 W.Sepulveda, #4, Torrance. (Harbor Frwy. So. to Sepulveda going west.) If you cannot make it or need further directions, call Charlie 556-2991 or Dave 539-0700.

Driver #1 - Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Driver #2 - Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency - In case of emergency, the Club should contact:-  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone-Home-( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work-( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Alfa:- Year and Model \_\_\_\_\_ Disp. \_\_\_\_\_ cc.

Class:- Class \_\_\_\_\_ Class Points \_\_\_\_\_  
I must file a new class sheet because I have made modifications since completing the last form.-Yes( ) No( )

I understand that my entry fee is not refundable and I will abide the rules of the AROSC Competition Code.

Driver #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Driver #2 \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form with the entry fee. Make check payable to A.R.O.S.C.

Send to: AROSC T.T.  
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At this time we wish to thank Sid and Beth Keely for the use of their clubhouse for the Christmas party and for their and everyone else's hard work in putting on the spaghetti dinner. As you can see from the pictures, a good time was had by all!!

AND we certainly want to thank all the people who donated door prizes. There really is a Santa Claus!! SO thank you:

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The more than 40 people who turned out consumed a prodigious quantity of spaghetti & wine!



Phil Strona had his share of problems with the photo ID game... Is the one on the right Abraham Lincoln or Bella Abzug???



George happily unwraps his door prize, a nifty Alfa wall poster!



The winning couple in the limbo contest, Jerry Wright & Dan Bernstein, were delirious with victory, or was it too much wine???

The directions said "SHAKE WELL", so that's what Sue Harmon did...with Gusto!!

Jerry and Dan show their form midway through the contest. As you can see, form didn't count all that much!!



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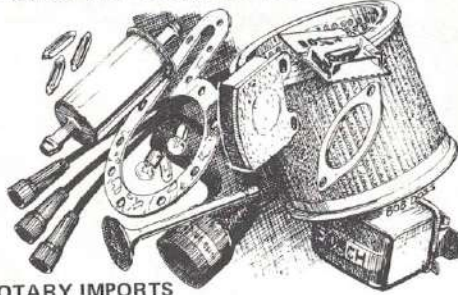
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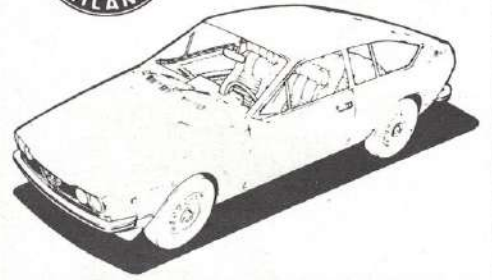
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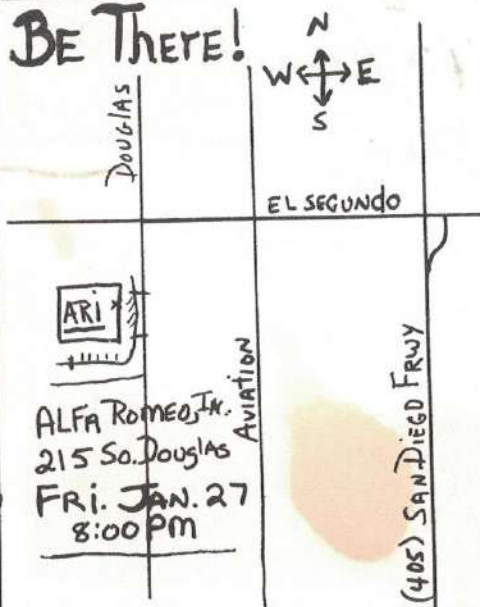


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Articles, letters, and personal ads are always welcomed and should be received by the editor 20 days prior to the monthly meeting. Meetings are normally held on the fourth Friday of the month at the ALONDRA PARK CLUBHOUSE, at 3850 Manhattan Beach Blvd., Lawndale, just east of the San Diego freeway. Date or location changes will be posted in the newsletter prior to the meeting. Meetings start promptly at 8:00 PM. For more information call:

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