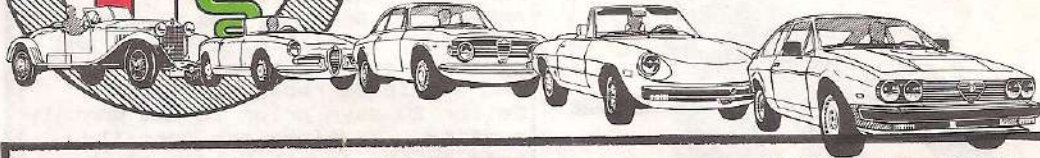




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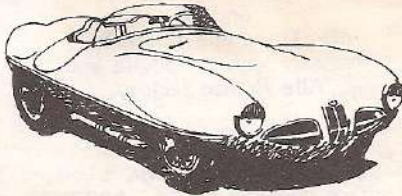
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## ALSALFA

The Alfa club new year has gotten off to a good start with two successful events just concluded. The new time trial team is to be commended for two well-run events just one week apart. (See John Ireland's report elsewhere in this issue.) As for me, not only did I run both events but I deserve a medal for slowest guy out there! Seriously, I never thought that being 10 seconds slower than the class winner was such a big margin until I realized there are heavy shoes with hot sedans who handily beat my time! In any event I've got the bug. I just hope I can improve enough to be in the money come year's end. (Damn it! I thought I was going as fast as I could). Interestingly enough, the good-natured grumbling that one hears because they got their doors blown off is a lot of fun....and all for a little dish of a trophy!!



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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- MAR 2nd - Board Meeting TBA
- 6th - AROSC Time Trial # 2 at Riverside International Raceway. See page 15.
- 26th - General Meeting at the Alondra Park Clubhouse.
- 30th - Board Meeting - TBA
- APR 1,2,3,4 - Long Beach Grand Prix
- 23rd - General Meeting at the Alondra Park Clubhouse.
- 27th - Board Meeting - TBA
- MAY 1st - Time Trial # 3 at Riverside International Raceway. See entry form on page 11.
- 28th - General Meeting at the Alondra Park Clubhouse.
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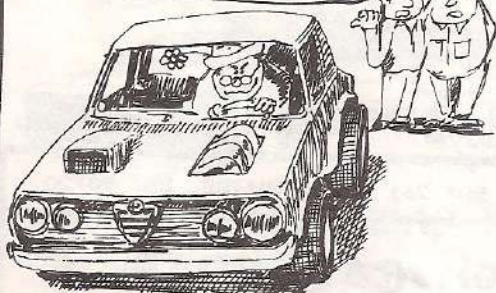
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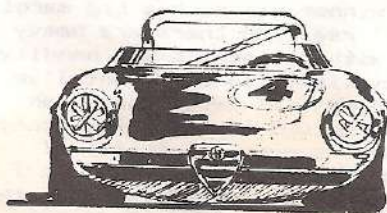
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## BLOOD SPORT

BY JOHN IRELAND  
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The 1982 AROSC Time Trial Season began on a fantastic note. Nineteen AROSC drivers joined with the Vintage Auto Racing Assoc., for two days of perfect weather and a new virgin surface on the track at Willow Springs Raceway. The Long Beach MG Club Flag Team provided the course workers, and everyone was ready for hard and fast driving. And we got it!



Six of the AROSC entries were novices to our T.T. Program, and they all showed exceptional maturity as well as skill. Class F (no longer dominated by the Flying French Fire Fighter) became two races in one. Tom Lipkis and Andy Steben battled for first place, and Tom got it on his last lap with a great time of 1:56:19. But Andy was less than a half second behind with 1:56:46. This is a battle that could go on all year. Fighting for third were two dark blue Alfa Sedans...my 1977 Alfetta, and the 1979 Sport Sedan of novice Henry Riggs. Both of us did our fastest times on our final laps... with Marcello turning 2:01:91, edging Henry's very quick 2:03:58. This was Henry's second time trial and his first with our club. And right behind the two of us, was another first timer...our own Al Cortes who took his '67 Duetto for a fast maiden voyage of 2:05:55. I'm betting that by the May and June events, Class F will see some of the hottest duels since the Dan Bernstein/Rick Washington Challenge Cup Series of 1980.

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Class E saw the emergence of a new car and driver. Dick Richard took his GTJr to an outrageously fast 1:49:85, and first place. Dick's SCCA background is not to be confused with his Novice status. All first timers with our program will



be put on Novice status until the Time Trial Committee has had a chance to evaluate their driving skill. Phill Guiral's skill needs no more proof than his lap times as he pushed the silver bullet to second place with 1:56:38. And Jackie Kurman showed consistent improvement, shaving eight seconds in four laps to clock a 2:15:75.

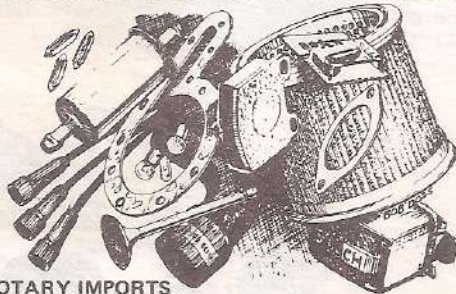
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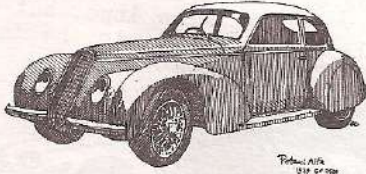


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The good guys award goes to the Skoras', Dave and Lorin. Dave for helping out with mechanical work when needed and Lorin who took a drive home (an hour plus round trip) to get a head gasket for me when mine let go just as I arrived at the track



Only a week before, my tranny gave out at Willow Springs so do I get the Hard Luck Award? Both events were well supported and both were concluded with a get-together at a local eatery for a well-deserved report and bench racing.

My participation in the two time trials brought home a point which is probably close to everyone's heart, money! The rundown on expenses to participate in a time trial are approximately:

- 1.) 45.00 entry fee
- 2.) 20.00 gas
- 3.) 20.00 food for two

people or 85.00 for one day's activity, not counting potential repairs brought on by adroit use of the gear box (at Willow) and blowing a head gasket (Riverside). The point is, how much can the average club member spend in order to participate and be an Alfa club member? With the cost of trophies going up perhaps an increase in entry fees may be forthcoming. All this brings me to ask everyone reading this column to seriously consider what they get out of the club and what they would like to get out of the club. Since perhaps a dues increase may be necessary for '83 if we are to maintain our current level of activities I think some serious thought as to where the club is headed is in order.

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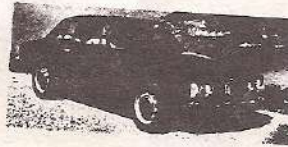
Perhaps some of you out there don't realize that you are a member of two Alfa clubs, the National club (AROC) and the local club (AROSC). You can be a member of the National club (28.00/year) without being a member of the local club but you must join the National club if you join the local club (30.00/year). When you pay your \$30.00 dues you automatically are enrolled into the National and local club and the dues monies are split with the National getting \$18.00 and the local getting \$12.00.

The National membership entitles you to receive the monthly newsletter "Alfa Owner" to attend the yearly national meeting, to place 2 free ads per year in the "Owner", competition event insurance, hotline service to answer your car problems and that's about it. (If I've omitted some advantage to being a National member I'm sure someone will point it out to me!)

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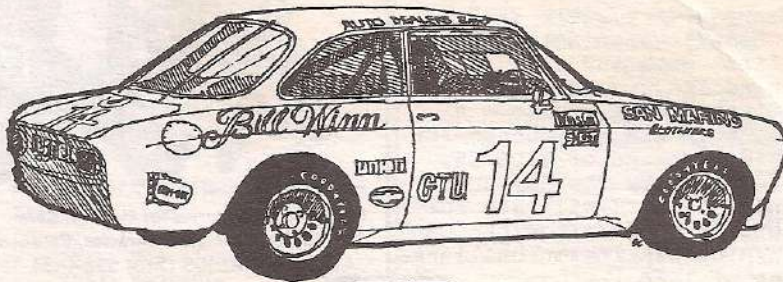
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Class D was filled with speed experts but it was veteran Alan Ward who showed the way home with a fastest lap of 1:55:54. Alan was going to run his '74 Berlina with a new tricked out suspension, but clutch problems forced him to run in Phyllis Gaylard's GTV. Marc Trout didn't let his Novice status stop him from taking second place with 1:55:98, followed by Bruce Nole and the beautifully prepared black GTV-6 with a time of 1:56:06 and that edged 3rd place away from Phyllis Gaylard and her best time of 1:56:82. Fred Zimmermann came all the way from San Diego, and he brought his own family-style pit crew to help him get his '57 Spider around the 2½ mile course in 2:01:65. Roger Torgeson, AROSC's newest documentarian, strapped a video tape camera and recorder into his '78 Spider and recorded what he saw as he circled the course in 2:16 flat.

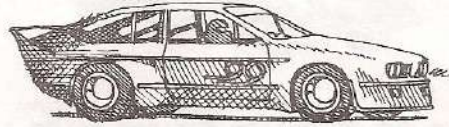


Larry Kolisnyk also brought the family along, and they got to cheer him to a first place in Class C with a 1:55:87, followed by Bevin Chu in a classy '74 Spider with a very nice time of 2:02:46.

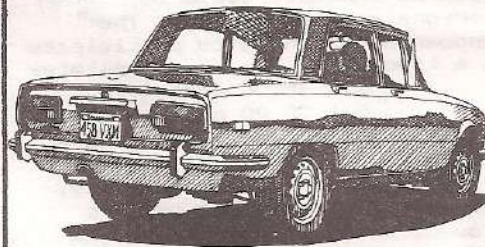


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The Class A battle evaporated when Mike Sperry blew a head gasket and had to withdraw, leaving the field and the Top Time of the Day to an undisputed Joe Dykseul. Joe to his Old Purple Lotus 11 to a hard earned 1:47:88. Joe spun in turn 9 and raised a giant cloud of dust. When it cleared, out came Joe, and he took off in pursuit of the group. He only put in three laps, but that was all he needed to win the day.



I hope Joe plans to run the June event because I think alot of the National Convention attendees will get a kick out of seeing Old Purple in action.



I want to thank the people who really made the day a success for all the drivers. Al Cortes both opened his shop for the tech inspection, and helped trackside with the timing. Jackie Kurman also worked on the timing crew with Al, and they traded off with the two men who set up the equipment and worked a shift on the clocks, Tom Lipkis and Andy Steben. Mike Sperry and Al Cortes did tech inspection, and Mike worked pre-grid, even after his own car was out of the running and he could have gotten an early start home.



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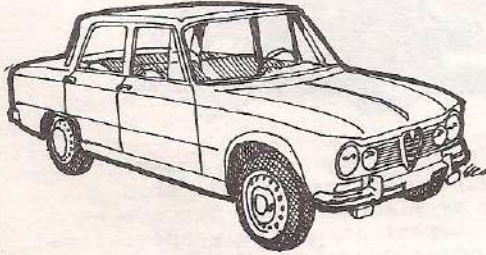
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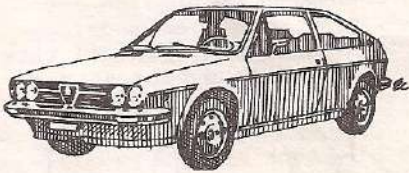
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## BLOOD SPORT CONTINUED

Alan Ward did a fine job of helping the novice and licensed drivers understand what it would take to go fast at a course almost none of us had driven before. Good instruction is what makes the club's safety record possible. Phyllis Gaylard ran Start/Finish, making sure that the flag crew gave the extra laps when called for and keeping the event on schedule.



And so, the first event of the year under the new Time Trial Committee was an unqualified success. We all had fun going fast. I am sorry that one of the founding fathers of the Time Trial Program, John Samson, had to withdraw with transmission failure. We look forward to seeing him in May. And I hope that many of the old guard will rejoin the program as entries and enjoy what they helped build. They won't be asked to take over the reins, just work a corner with the rest of the drivers.



The March event will be covered in the next issue of this newsletter, and I look forward to seeing all of you in May.

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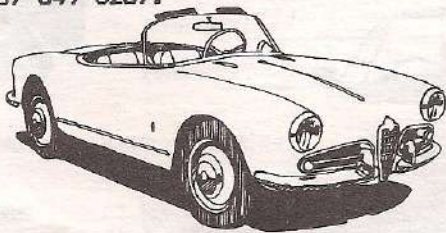
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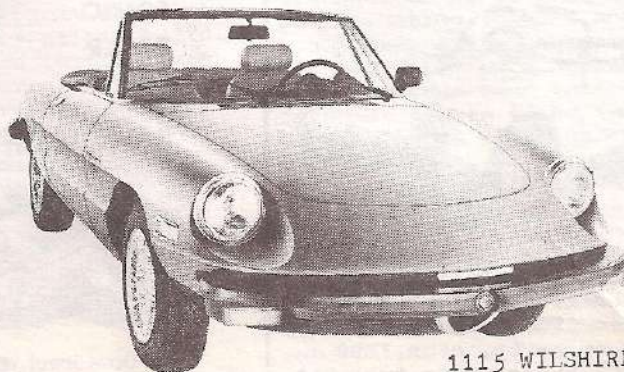
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7:30 - 8:15 All others in line for TECH INSPECTION \*
8:30 - 8:45 Drivers' Meeting - MANDATORY.
8:45 - 9:45 Track Orientation
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12:15 - 1:15 Lunch

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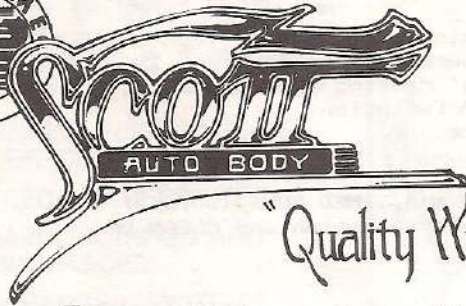
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