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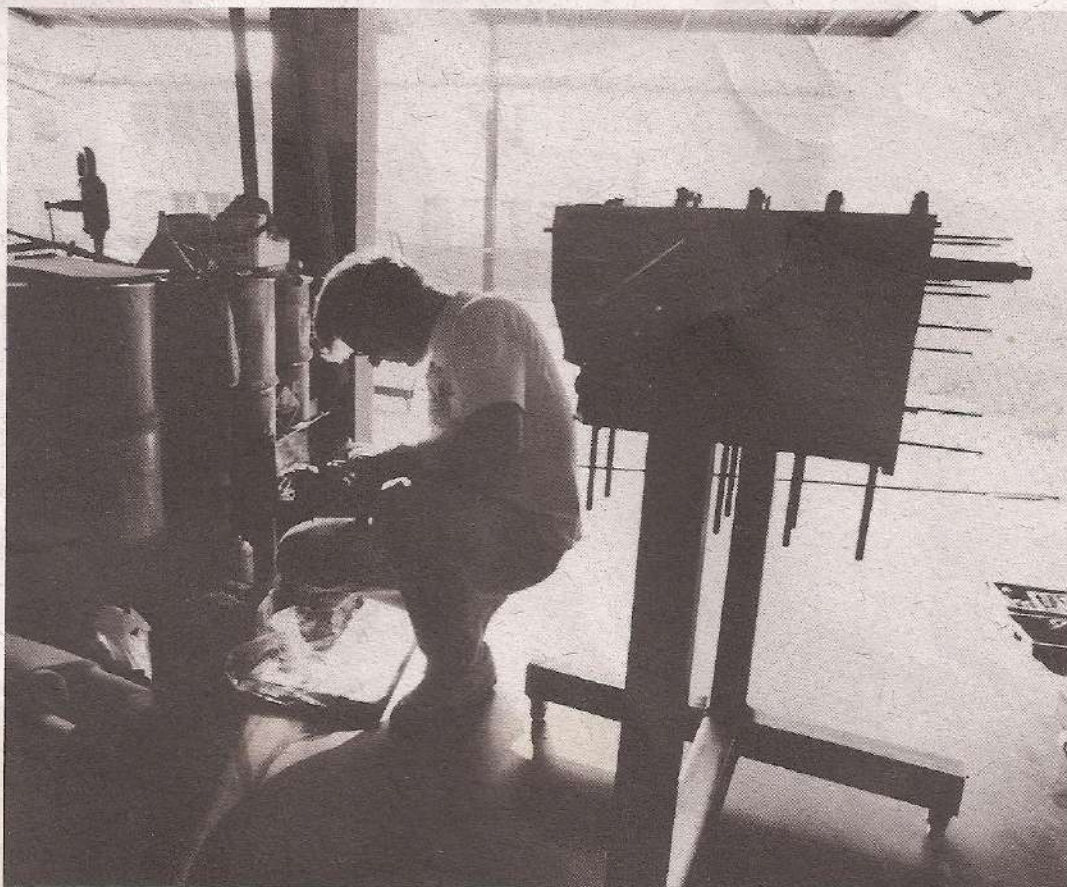


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DENISE McCLUGGAGE
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*Cover—Jerry Woolery kneeling before the gods of high-horsepower during the Engine Rebuilding Workshop. Photo by Randall Higa
Cover inset: Denise McCluggage*



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Tina Van Curen

1993! Somehow it all sneaked up on me.

I can't believe it has been a whole year since I first wrote this column as President of AROSC. As I begin my second 'administration' I have nothing but warm feelings for all Alfa people I have met and high hopes for AROSC in the coming year.

As a great many of our beloved Alfas approach their second decade we, the Alfacionadas, manage to keep our energy and enthusiasm. Could it be that we have discovered the fountain of youth in an Italian garage? From time trials to driving schools to engine rebuilding workshops to the picnic and the holiday party, where else could you find such a diverse and interesting group of people all anxious to share experiences and adventures with each other?

If you want to meet some fascinating people, try placing a classified ad in the Alfa Owner. I have probably spent days on the phone with men and women from all over the country talking about cars, racing, the state of the world and life in general. The same is true of people I met at our events. We come because of our interest in Alfas and then discover all the other interests we have in common. Many of us have helped one another find jobs or clients as well as get into other activities, for those rare occasions when we need to broaden our perspective.

In the coming year, there are some new and imaginative people on the board and otherwise volunteering to organize activities. There will be an Italfest and informal Concours at the Auto in Art Gallery in February, a tour of the desert wildflowers in April, a tour of the Merl Norman Museum with a Concours in June, and a wine tour in the fall. All this in addition our

outstanding Time Trial and Race Program, TWO Swap Meets, two Drivers Schools, some tech sessions, another engine building workshop, and some other social activities.

As I have said before, I feel the job of President and the Board of Directors is to represent all the members of the club and provide services and activities which appeal to them. We do our best and try to listen to everyone. The more input we get, the better we can do our job. Use your phone, your fax or your US Postal Service. Write letters to the editor. Tell the members who you are and how you feel about the club, or issues in general. Come to the meetings and speak up. If you have an idea for event, let us know. We will help you organize it. The more people who are actively involved in running the club, the better it is for all of us.

January 22 is our Annual Meeting. I like to think of it as our New Years Party. You can meet the new board, congratulate the winners of the 1992 Concours and Time Trial awards and help kick off this year's schedule.

There will be a car show, by which we mean show off your car. This is your chance to let your fellow Alfisti see what you have done to the love of your life. Let's get them ALL out there.

Of course, the biggest news is that Denise McCluggage is going to be there. If you read her column in AutoWeek, you know that she has a way with words and much to say. She has raced Ferraris, Jaguars and many others in some of the most prestigious places and with most of the famous drivers in Europe and America. Don't miss the chance to meet her and share some of the excitement. See you there!

Felice anno nuovo!

Ciao for now...



Events and Activites

Randall Higa

ANNUAL MEETING AND GATHERING OF THE ALFAS. January 22

Featured Speaker: DENISE McCLUGGAGE
Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
Auditorium, 111 Hope Street, 8:00 PM

It is a tradition to have a special speaker at the January meeting to kick off the new year. For 1993, AROSC scored big time and will feature **DENISE McCLUGGAGE** as the special guest speaker at our annual meeting. Denise is the Senior Contributing editor to **AutoWeek** and has a semi-weekly column, "Now and Then", that many of you regularly read. In addition to being a terrific writer, photographer, and racing car driver she is a terrific speaker and story teller. If you come to only Alfa Club meeting this year, this is the one to attend. Also as a tradition, the Club will be having a, "**Gathering of the Alfas**" as part of the Annual Meeting. On behalf of the Board of Directors, we are inviting all Club members to bring their Alfas for a very informal car show. Your car does not need to be concours condition so just wash and wax your pride and joy and let the others in the club join you in admiring your Alfa (that includes you too, Ed Victoria!). As a special surprise, there will be on display, a true **exotic Alfa** that was recently discovered and restored.

TIME TRIAL AND RACE. January 30 & 31

To kick off the 1993 season, the first Time Trial and Race of 1993 will be January 30 and 31 at Willow Springs Raceway. Entries for the event are to be postmarked by January 16, so be sure to hurry and get yours in soon. There will also be an Intro Group for drivers interested in a driving experience on a road race course without the expense of Time Trialing. If you have never seen a Time Trial and Race event before, show up at the track on either or both days and witness an enthusiastic group of people *legally* having the fun with their cars. Planned for this event is an entry of an interesting elderly American-made car that will make thunderous V-8 noises and actually *handle!* The Competition Director, Charlie Thieriot, has been hard at work planning the year's events to include as many interesting venues as possible. An event in Las Vegas is still in the planning stages, and we close to confirming our Memorial Day weekend dates at Laguna Seca. For more information, call Charlie Thieriot at (310) 476-8812.

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CALENDAR

Jan 22 8:00 pm	Annual Meeting & Gathering of the Alfas Special Featured Speaker: Denise McCluggage Department of Water and Power Auditorium 111 North Hope Street, Los Angeles
Jan 30 & 31	Time Trial & Race - Willow Springs Raceway
Feb 14	Concours and Italian Food Festival Automobile in Art Gallery, Long Beach
Feb 26	General Meeting
Mar 6, 7	Drivers School - Streets of Willow
Mar 26	General Meeting
April 30	General Meeting
May 1	Wildflower Tour
May 21	General Meeting
May 29	Time Trial & Race - Laguna Seca (Tentative)
Jun 25	General Meeting
Jul 30	General Meeting
Aug 7, 8	Time Trials & Race - Willow Springs
Aug 20-22	Monterey Weekend
Sep 4, 5	Drivers School - Streets of Willow
Sep 24	General Meeting
Oct 9, 10	Time Trials & Race - Willow Springs (Tentative)
Oct 29	General Meeting
Nov 14	Swap Meet
Dec 4, 5	Time Trials & Race - Willow Springs
Dec 11	Holiday Party

Letters

Trans Am

From a Friend In Italy

Respectable Club,

I found your address in the Alfa Romeo review, "Il Quadrifoglio" and since I am keen on Alfa Romeo cars, I write you this letter to meet some friends (American or Italian), in particular, SPIDER'S owners!!

I am 27th years, I work in a financial office as book-keeper and I live in a small town, VERRONE, that is situated in north Italy (PIEMONTE) between TORINO and MILANO. In June 1990, I bought my first Alfa Romeo, a Spider "Quadrifoglio" model year 1986, its first owner was a women that covered only 3,750 miles!!



Maurizio Buscaglia and his Alfa Romeo Spider, Switzerland

Immediately I entered it in Alfa Romeo Spider Club that was established in NOVARA (about 25 miles from Verrone) in October 1988 and I participate to two or

three meetings with others members (you can see the photo).

Do you organize meetings? I often imagine myself driving my Spider on your large highways...but now it is only a dream for me...!!

I am searching a spare part mounted on Alfa Romeo Spider exported in the USA from '86 to '88: the small plate with the inscription, "QUADRIFOGLIO." I would be very pleased if you send me its identification number because here it is not cataloged in the Alfa Romeo spare parts micro-card. I hope to receive you news soon and I express my BEST THANKS to all of you!!



Meeting of the Italian Alfa Romeo Spider Owners Club, Treviso, Italy

Photo by Maurizio Buscaglia

Yours Faithfully,
Maurizio Buscaglia

The Trans Am story by Stu Schaller (Alfacionada, November 1992) says something about the Trans Am... "Being in California the entries included such things as a Hino Contessa, a Sunbeam Imp, and NSU Prinz, and two Ford Anglias!" I resent the implication of your exclamation mark.

One of the Anglias was mine, there were two Contessas as I recall, part of a team headed by Pete Brock, and a car you didn't mention—a goddamn Abarth Berlina Corsa driven by Dan Parkinson, running in Class D.

Neither my partner nor I had SCCA National Licenses so we got old Alfa hand Frank Smith and Dr. Lou Sell to drive for us. Running against a strong field of Mini-Coopers, Brock's factory Hinos (later absorbed by Toyota), a 1300 Cortina and sundry others, Lou and Frank won Class C (there were four classes in those original T/As (A=up to 5000cc/B=up to 2000cc/C=up to 1300/D=under 1000). We finished 19th overall. The goddamn Abarth was about 10th. If the race (called the Mission Bell Trophy) had run for six hours, the Abarth would probably have taken the overall win. It was overhauling the B cars at a great rate when the race ended.

Frank had run the car at Santa Barbara a few weeks before finishing about third on Saturday and winning C-sedan on Sunday—first time out. This was the heyday of the Mini-Cooper and there were always six or eight of them around. Jerry Titus and various other member of the SCG staff tried campaigning a Renault R-8 Gordini but could never get it all together. There were things like a Karmann-Ghia and an MG1100, and, ominously, a Datsun 1300 Bluebird running for the glory of it all.

We ran a bunch of SCCA regionals with the car (won about half) before my partner and I succumbed to the Great Split that seems to befall most partnerships. The s.o.b. still has my trailer.

Stu, this isn't meant as a criticism of your little history—just an amplification. It was an interesting time that I probably took too seriously then and probably still do now.

Len Frank

P.S. Does anyone have a copy of that wonderful film made (with Datsun's money) about the 1971 under 2-liter challenge? Despite the unhappy end, it would make a great meeting attraction.

Clarification

I'm pleased to hear that the swap meet and dyno session was success. I have, however, heard from several people
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From the desk of the editor:

CHIASSO!

Randall Higa

Welcome to the first issue of Alfacionada for 1993! As you will notice, the name of the editor's column is now called *CHIASSO!* According to my unabridged Random House dictionary, it is Italian for, "**uproar, fuss, or hullabaloo.**" While this may be a rather peculiar name for a column, it seems to describe my non-passive relationship with Alfa Romeos. I thought I'd try it one for size and see how it sits with me.

We are extremely fortunate to have **Denise McCluggage** as our special guest speaker for our Annual Meeting on January 22 in the Department of Water and Power Auditorium. I am a long time reader of *AutoWeek* and have always looked forward to reading her column. I also have her 1977 book, *The Centered Skier*, that goes beyond the standard "how-to" instructional book. It is more of a "Zen in the art of skiing" and takes many cues from Eastern philosophy. I first had the pleasure of meeting Denise a couple of years ago in Santa Fe when she joined Kenny K. (the same Kenny K. that let Len Frank race his Giulietta Sprint Veloce at Monterey in 1985), Jerry Lomas, Sam Demaggio and myself for lunch. She is a terrific teller of stories and possesses a keen wit. I also enjoyed her roast of Phil Hill at the Palm Springs Historic Races in 1991. In addition to skiing, bobsledding, parachuting, she successfully raced a Ferrari with best of them in the Glory Days of sports racing cars in Europe and America. Don't miss your opportunity to see this marvelous person at our Annual Meeting!

I look forward to my second year as the editor of the AROSC newsletter and hope that I can improve over last year. To properly represent this chapter of the Alfa Club, I hope to see more **technical articles** being submitted. In fact I would be happy to see *one* technical article submitted during the year; that would be one more than last year. I know that there are a lot of you out there that have some great technical knowledge and experience that would be worth sharing with the rest of the club. This newsletter is your best way of communicating your wisdom to your 500 fellow members.

I would also like to see **more advertisers** listed in the newsletter. As I previously mentioned, we have about 500 members that receive this newsletter. If you have a business (it doesn't have to be Alfa related) that you would like other Alfa Club

members to know about, please think about placing an ad in the newsletter. In these troubled economic times, advertising becomes increasingly crucial for a business to grow and succeed. It is also relatively inexpensive and goes a long way in supporting the Club. I would also like to thank our current advertisers for your continued contribution in maintaining the quality of this newsletter. Please give me a call at (213) 344-8828 if you have any questions about placing a display ad with Alfacionada.

The first AROSC **Engine Rebuilding Workshop** has been completed. In only three Saturday sessions, the workshop students assembled their engines and gained a healthy dose of Alfa experience from the master, Rex Chalmers. Special thanks to both Jerry Lomas and Rex for pulling off an excellent workshop. If you have an interest in participating in a future engine rebuilding workshop, please call Jerry Lomas at (213) 734-5852.

For you serious Italian car lovers, you can join fellow AROSC member David Gooley and writer Harry Newton for the



Hmm...Lessee...375 ft-lbs oughta be enuff..." Jerry Woolery torquing the main bearing caps.

"Ultimate European Tour." In May of this year, Grand Prix Tours, Inc. has organized a twelve day tour through Northern Italy that will focus on the Mille Miglia retrospective. They wisely asked David Gooley and Harry Newton to plan and lead the tour using their years of experience covering this pageant. The tour also includes visits to Alfa Romeo, Ferrari, Lamborghini, the new Bugatti and to Zagato, plus automobile museums in Monza and Torino. Sounds like a winner! For more information, contact Barry Simpson of Grand Prix Tours, Inc. at (714) 646-0327.

**Featured Guest Speaker at Annual Meeting. January 22,
DWP**

Denise McCluggage

Randall Higa

The Alfa Romeo Owners Club of Southern California is extremely privileged and fortunate to have Denise McCluggage as the Featured Guest Speaker at our Annual Meeting and Gathering of the Alfas on January 22. Many of you may read her column in AutoWeek and have seen her work at other venues, including her show of racing photographs from the 1950s and 1960s at the Automobile in Art Gallery in Long Beach last year.

Although presently living in the mountain area of Santa Fe, New Mexico, Denise McCluggage was born a flatlander in Kansas. She discovered skiing while going to school in Oakland, California at Mills College. Nonetheless, she graduated Phi Beta Kappa and went onto the world of journalism. She had a stint at the San Francisco Chronicle before moving on to being the motor sports and skiing editor of the New York Herald Tribune.

She has always had a passion for Italian cars, and had a 250 GT Berlinetta that she raced at several venues including Sebring in 1961. Her racing and rallying exploits has taken her to three continents that include Monte Carlo and Le Mans. She still can be seen behind the wheel of a vintage racer or two still campaigning in her trademark polka dot helmet. She still regrets selling that Ferrari...

She was part of the "Tribute to Phil Hill" where she roasted him while in the company Carrol Shelby, Sam Posey, and Dan Gurney. She had, at one time, told Phil Hill that he should force Ferrari to give him a Formula 1 ride. She also wrote a very insightful story about Phil Hill called, "Hamlet in a Helmet" and said that he dealt with nervousness by, "covering his nervousness with nervousness."

Besides writing for AutoWeek and several other publications, she has also written books that include the The Centered Skier and Are You a Woman Driver?

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December 5

Holiday Party

Randall Higa

The annual Holiday Party was again held in the household of Charlie Thieriot. Despite the late delivery of the newsletter (I got mine after the party), the members turned out in respectable numbers. The mood was festive and everyone was engaged in consuming the wonderful food and drink. Many new members were on hand and had a chance to mingle and chat with the "old timers" and "regulars."

Everyone brought a gift for the inaugural gift exchange. Each person took turns receiving gifts from Santa Claus (disguised as our Vice President, Al Allen) from under the tree. After the gifts were given out, there was a flurry of gift trading that allowed one Mr. Gooley to get a used starter for a 750. Dave was overheard to exclaim, "I could use one of these!" Good score Dave! Another good score were the Togi Toys posters that had pictures of their line of Alfas, "Automodelli in Metallo."

Another highlight of the party was the first Alfa Club viewing of the new addition to the Dirk Stoehr household. Dirk and Marcy were beaming the whole evening, excitedly playing the part of proud parents.

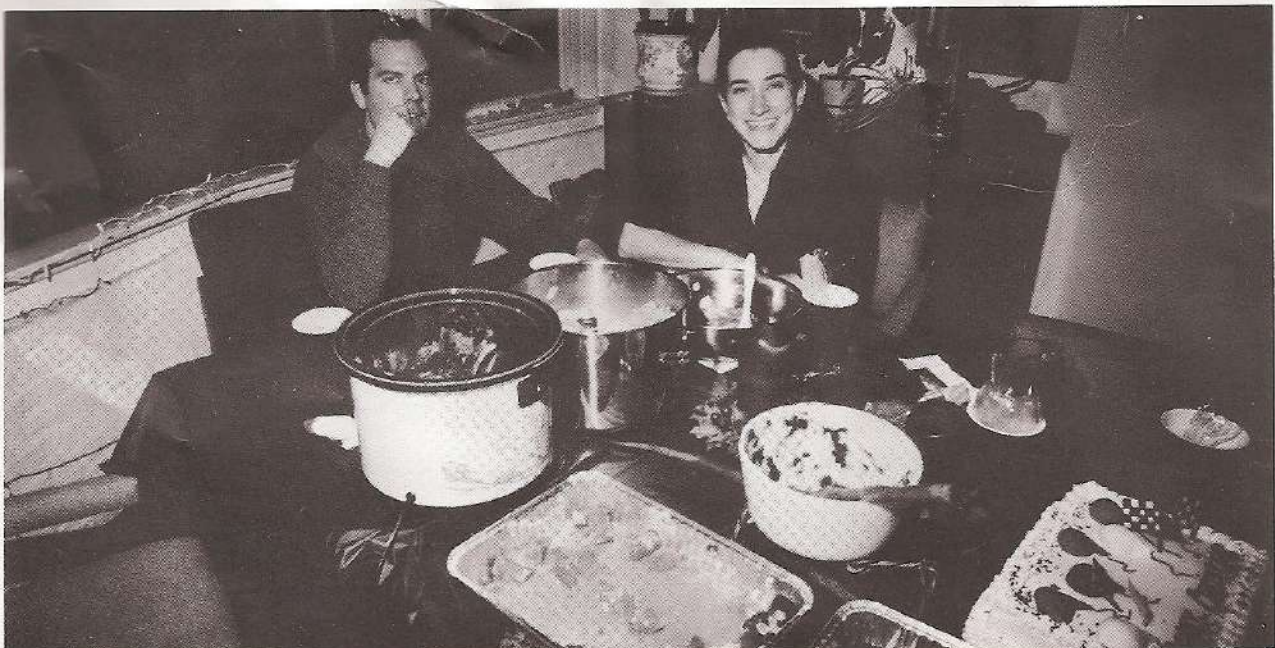


Photos by Randall Higa

Al Allen holding the prized 750 starter that would ultimately land in the hands of David Gooley

Michelle Schwartz made an encore performance and provided the food for the gala event. It was another wonderful feast for our fortunate club that boosted everyone's holiday spirit. As usual, no one went home hungry. Thanks to Charlie and Michelle and to everyone else who made the party a success.

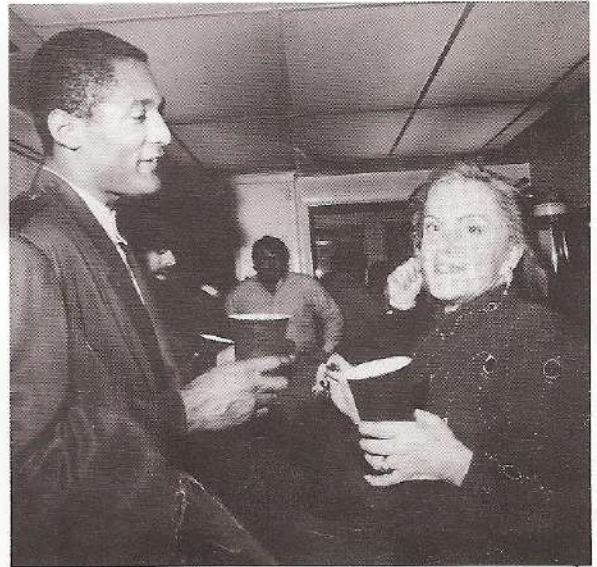
See you next year!



Michelle Schwartz and Rick Delgado observing the festivities



▲ Alan Ward and Gerry Woolery contemplating the essence of Santa Claus and high lift cams



Vice President, Al Allen and President, Tina Van Curen in conference



▶ Fred Schueddekopp and Bill Pringle indulging in the holiday cake. Rick Delgado looks on.



Jay Negrin teaching Al Allen on the proper pronunciation of "Cagiva"



Dirk Stoehr and Marcy Livran with their new addition to the family

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Phyllis Gaylard's Milano on the dyno

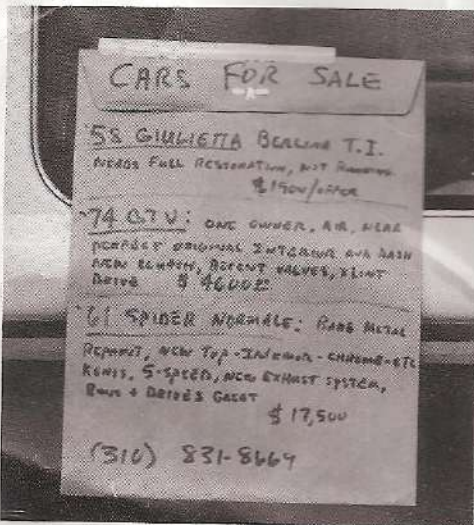
November 15

Swap Meet

Randall Higa

Following the somewhat disastrous Swap Meet held earlier this year, the November 15 Swap Meet at Dino Crescentini's Auto Specialty in Torrance went very smoothly. Many thanks to Fred Schueddekopp for organizing a great event without attracting the local law enforcement agencies.

The abundance of parts made the

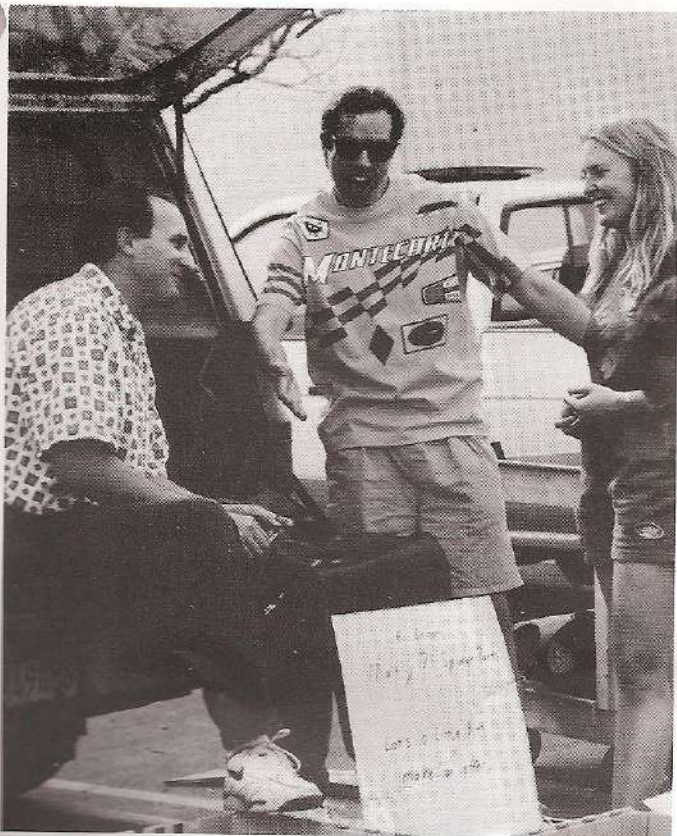


You can always find slick advertising when it comes to Alfas

Swap Meet an Alfa Romeo second heaven. Several vendors were in attendance including one who brought a U-Haul truck with a couple of helpers to unload all of the merchandise. It was clearly a buyer's market as some of the vendors were overheard to mumble about slow sales. However, Rick Delgado reported relatively brisk sales of his, "mainly '74 Spider parts, Lots o' little bits, make an offer" marketing approach.

As an added attraction, a mobile dynamometer was brought by Evanspeed. Phyllis Gaylard's 3.0 liter Milano was the first to be on the dyno with the idea of comparing the performance between stock and the two "chips" that are available from Fred Di Matteo and Tom Zat. Although the session did generate a spreadsheet of numbers, they were generally inconclusive since it was later found out that Fred had sent the wrong chip. The chips did indicate a tendency for nominal horsepower increases at the upper RPM ranges but did shift the peak horsepower to a higher engine speed.

Fred Biba's car also was put on the dyno to compare performance of a regular engine oil and Alysia synthetic oil. Again the results were somewhat inconclusive as no horsepower increase was observed. Stay tuned for another venue to conduct more conclusive tests in the future.



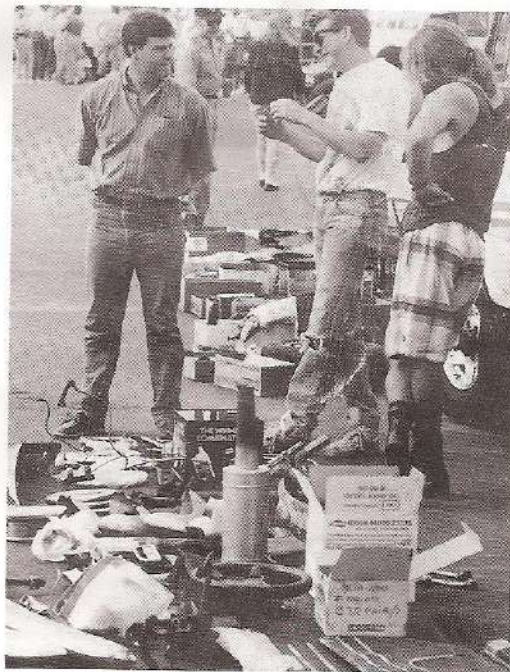
Rick Delgado demonstrating successful horsetrading techniques



"Seat for sale, near new condition, sell cheap"



Casual haggling is the general trademark of an Alfa Club swap meet



If we don't have it, you don't need it"



The Alfa Swap Meet is a good place to catch up with old friends

Good News, Bad News & Just News

Stu Schaller

The annual swap meet held on November 15th provided those of us with oddball Alfas a unique opportunity to pick up some parts, as there was actually quite a bit of stuff for 750s, 2000 cast iron and 2600s.

12 Classic and Sportscar, my favorite magazine, had an interesting article in the 12/92 issue about a trip from England to India taken in an Alfa Giulia Spider towing a camper in 1972. There has also been a rash of new Alfa books recently, including two new books on Giulias, one on 8C2300s, one called Alfa Romeo Legends, and one called Leggendarie Alfa Romeo. Also of interest is a new book on Novolari. Unfortunately, most of these books are quite expensive.

There also has been a rash of Alfa Romeo miniatures recently, the most interesting item is a set of 1/43 scale miniature of the three Alfa BATs for the 80th anniversary of Bertone. The set runs about \$500 in a display case, but is a limited issue item (500 sets worldwide). For further information this item, contact the maker, Jilge Auto Miniatures, Mr. Jean-Luc Ganivet, B.P. 21, Wegeve, France 74120.

I hope some of you have decided to get more involved in the club for 1993, as we generally only get about 10% of this membership to turn up at any event.

I've organized a tour of the Merle Norman Collection in conjunction with a concours in June 1993; more information to follow.

One of the most popular classes in vintage racing in Holland is called Scuderia Bianca. This class is exclusively for Alfa Giulia TIs and Supers, which must be painted white. Allowed modifications including 2 liter motors, shorter gears in the transmissions, and limited slip rear ends, along with suspension changes. Noses of the cars may be painted any

color for identification purposes. More than 30 cars generally turn up for these races.

For those of you with several hundred thousand to spare, Rudy Pas, a dealer in collectable cars in Belgium, had come up with the 6C1750 GS Zagato which was in Road and Track in 1957. He has also come up with several Type 33 parts, including some of the molds for engine pieces to go along with a 1970 Type 33 V8 he also has for sale. Mr. Pas is one of the world's leading dealers in Italian classic sports and race cars, so if you happen to be going to Belgium, visit his shop. Please be sure to call and let him know you are coming first, however. The address is Mariaveld 1, Minderhout, Belgium, and the phone is 323-315-0600.

For those of you with any interest in Alfa 2000 cast iron or 2600 cars, may I recommend a subscription to Alpha Plus, the four time a year register magazine, published by Roger Monk, Knighton, Church Close, West Runton, Cromer, Norfolk, England NR279QY. It is fairly expensive at 17 English Pounds a year (about \$35) but well worth it if you have one these cars.

After the inaugural classic race in England last May, it was decided to have a second race in September. This time 15 cars were entered, including two Giulietta Sprints, a Giulietta Zagato, the Giulietta Berlina that won the 1300cc class in the English Historic Saloon (sedan series), a Giulia Spider, two GTAs, three Giulia Supers, a 105 GT Junior, a 105 GTV, and a 2600 Spider. The race was won by the 105 GTV Junior, with one of the Giulia Supers coming home second.

The politics of the National Alfa club seem to be coming to a head. Alfa Owner is looking for a new editor, and, perhaps, a new publisher. It appears that the current publisher is not making any money on the Alfa Owner, yet is doing it at a lower price than anyone else seems willing to do it for. We may soon go through a period when the magazine is only done on an irregular basis, as has happened in the past, unless someone steps forward.

'til next time

Stu

"...a car has no business being so desirable..."*

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*Road & Track, on Alfa Romeo, March 1958.

Events and Activities

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Vic Huber Photo Show and Informal Concours. Automobile In Art Gallery. February 14. 12:00 noon to 5:00 PM

Well-known automotive photographer, **Vic Huber**, who has captured the wonderful images for some of the past **Alfa Romeo Calendars**, will have an exhibition of his photographs at the Automobile in Art Gallery on 213 B Pine Avenue (between Broadway and Third) in Long Beach. The owner of the gallery, Ricardo, is an avid Italian car aficionado trying to arrange for a special parking area for the Alfa Club. If this works out, we will have an informal concours adjacent to the gallery. In any case, the Alfa Club will be having a gathering to admire Vic Huber's photographs and hang out with other Alfisti. By the time you read this, more of the details should be worked out. As noted somewhere else in the newsletter, the gallery featured the photographic works of Denise McCluggage last year. Also in the surrounding area are a number of terrific restaurants that are open for lunch and dinner. The Vic Huber exhibit will be at the Automobile in Art Gallery from January 6 to February 28. For

details on the status of the informal concours and for more information, call Phil Guiral at (310) 439-5550.

DRIVER'S SCHOOL. March 6 & 7

The first of two Driver's Schools will be on March 6 and 7 at the Streets of Willow. This is the smaller track that is adjacent to the larger, Willow Springs Raceway. This is a great track for learning since the tighter turns require more skill to negotiate. This is a great place to learn car control that goes way beyond anything that you've ever learned in high school driver's ed. It even goes way beyond all that practice and experience you've had driving along Mulholland, Latigo Canyon, or Sunset at extra-legal speeds. The AROSC is proud to have a very expert group of instructors that will allow you to drive your own car (even if its not an Alfa) with a minimal amount of safety equipment. So, if you want to drive more safely on the street or if you want to learn how to pass that blue Porsche in the next Vintage race, plan on attending this outstanding school. For more information, call John Green at (818) 994-2318.

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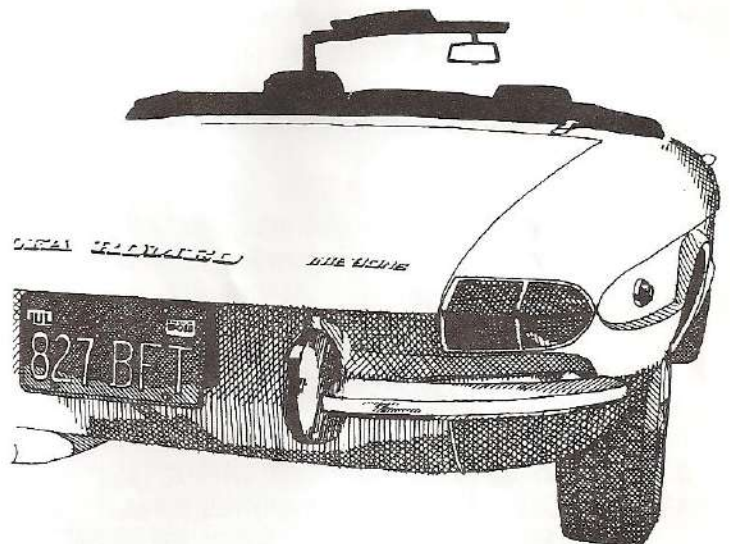
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an incorrect report regarding the dyno session. It appears that Phyllis Gaylard's 3.0 liter Milano did not make very good horsepower on the dyno, around 133 HP from what I understand. Her car had just come out of my shop for some maintenance and repair. The rumor I have heard was that I had tuned her car. Nothing could be further from the truth. I did not as much as remove a spark plug from her car. No tuning of any type has ever been performed on Ms. Gaylard's car at Omega Motorsports. We have for sometime, however, maintained, tuned and massaged Mr. Ray Gemeiner's 3.0 Milano which produced 144 HP at the rear wheels at the swap meet. Mr. Gemeiner's is dead stock and properly maintained. I hope this clears up any misconceptions of the membership.

Keep up the good work.

Rex Chalmers



Classified Ads

1969 Alfa Romeo Berlina Sedan. White/black int. 45K on high-compression 2000 engine. Ward and Dean suspension, factory alloys, new Michelin MXV's. Recent fuel pump, distributor, water pump, differential. Very clean and well-maintained. All service records since 1984 concourse-winning restoration. Many extra parts included. \$4,000. Call Benjamin Steingart. (714) 992-5058.

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1968 Alfa Duetto Spider. Yellow with black interior, under 3,000 miles, custom wheels. Completely restored absolutely breathtaking. Valued at \$22,000. \$13,000. (818) 883-9549.

1972 2000 GTV. Needs clutch and engine and rebuild, some rocker & window rot, 5-speed, 4:56 posi rear end, Shankle Weber conversion. \$1,250. Rick Hayden.

1968 Berlina. Good mechanical condition, new tires, and many auxiliaries, plum with tan interior, needs paint, some minor rust, car in Santa Barbara. \$2,000/obo. Call Bruce for details (713) 537-2957. Move forces sale.

1974 Alfa Spider. Alpine white/black interior with sheepskin seat covers, VWA wheels, P-6 tires, new window in 1 year cloth top. Completely new engine, transmission, brakes, paint. Full service record, 35,000 miles. Sharp. Kenwood removable AM/FM radio and tape deck. \$7,200 obo. (310) 822-9876.

1961 Spider. Rolling chassis, never wrecked. \$500. Jerry. (213) 734-5852.

1979 Alfetta (2-door). 64 K original miles, cream with tan leather, air conditioning, perfect dash, new tires, a blast to drive, \$3,499. Call John after 6 pm. (310) 544-0286.

1965 Giulia T.I. High 1:44's at Willow with full interior and street exhaust. Built in late '91 as a street rod, canyon runner, Alfa Club Time Trial car. 155+ HP. B + B 2.0 L engine, only 9.35:1 C.R., Sperry head, full race prepped bottom end as well, AEM max-air flowed Webers, full 2.0 suspension, brakes, gearbox, and shimmed L.S.D diff, W & D springs, and adjustable rear bar, adj. upper arms, racing front bar, Bilstein shocks, and Sabec T/TRW harness. Only run in anger twice. 5,000 easy street miles (except when my wife gets to drive it) on engine-

gearbox-diff. and suspension. Would cost over \$12,000 to build if you brought me the car to modify. Throw in a roll bar and run at the front with VARA. \$9,500. Contact Rex Chalmers at Omega Motorsports. Work, (310) 836-3160 or pager, (310) 917-9568.

AFTER CHRISTMAS SALE

Rare **1971 Spider** rear bumper in excellent condition, \$300. Ansa high performance midsection for spider, \$75. New console side pieces, \$50 for the pair. **1985 GTV-6** rear bumper in great shape, \$200. Leather steering wheel, \$40. Black carpets, \$40. Lots of other stuff, call for details. Tina (213) 666-4500.

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HELP!!! Must find a new body for my '64 Giulia Spider. Will take a 'roller' or a complete car in need of restoration, '63 through '66 OK. Si Robin (818) 341-5366.

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