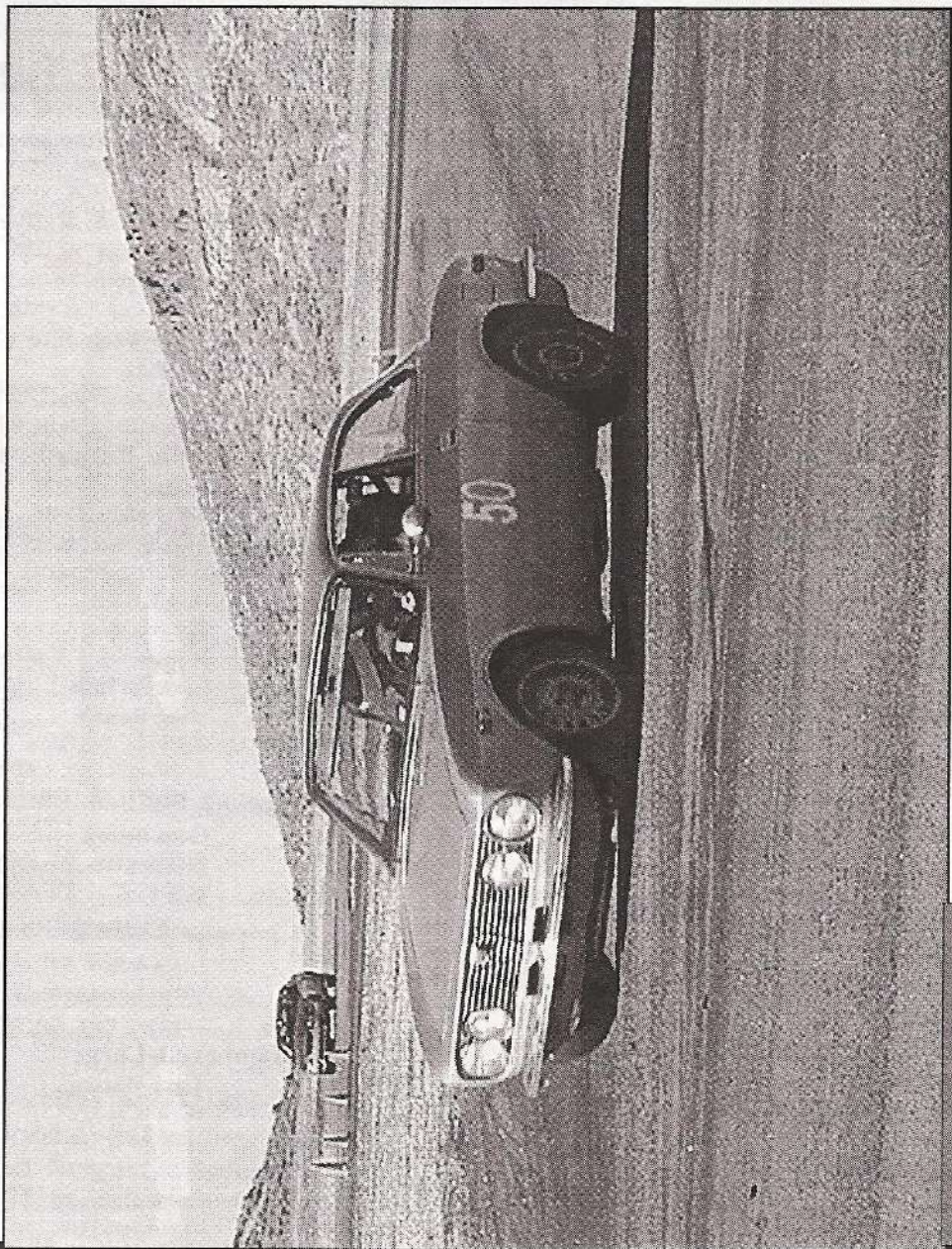


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April 2004

**In This Issue: Drivers School
Photos, Swap Meet, coming
events, and more**

Meeting Information

General Meetings are held the last Friday of each month except November and December at 8:00pm, usually in the Uruapan Room at Veterans' Memorial Park at the corner of Culver and Overland in Culver City. In November the meeting will be held on the last Friday if there are two Fridays after Thanksgiving, otherwise it will be on the Friday prior to Thanksgiving. A holiday party is held in December in lieu of the General Meeting that month. Numerous special meetings and events are also held throughout the year. Check the Calendar information on the outside back cover for an overview of the year, the Previews section on Page 3, and review *Alfacionada* for details of events planned for the near future.

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This Month's Cover

Tony Adamowicz, our guest instructor at the recent Drivers School, is showing how to drive Jim Caver's GTV on the course -- he had a blast, and joined us at Laguna Seca as well. As he says, racing is life! No, it isn't Alex Brown's car any more. Photo courtesy of Tony Adamowicz.

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AROSC Previews

An outline of coming events

Board Meeting – Wednesday, April 7, 7:30 PM

The Board of Directors meets monthly at a restaurant, for the purpose of planning the club's activities, conducting the club's business, etc. All members are welcome to attend. If you have some issue to bring to the board, or some ideas for events, etc., please plan to be there. The location is Hank's Bistro in Lawndale.

Wild Flower Rally — April 18

Rally Chair Bill Carson is planning to provide 2 rallies this year. This one will be a poker rally, so all you have to do is not get lost. Look for wild flowers on the route, after the abundant winter rains and the recent heat wave. The last rally was lots of fun, not too long, and ended at a nice restaurant. This time we will start and end at a restaurant. This is a great opportunity to drive some fun roads and be observant as well. See page 10 for more information on this event.

General Meeting – Friday, April 30, 8:00 PM

Join us for the April general meeting at the Veteran's Center in Culver City. The usual coffee and donuts will be served as well as our monthly drawing for an assortment of prizes. For entertainment, we may show more of the DVD of "Victory by Design: Alfa Romeo" that has been shown on Speed Channel, as well as the DVD of "Rendezvous", the non-stop run across Paris from on-board a Ferrari. In February, we showed part of the "Victory by Design" DVD, which is magnificent, and were going to show the "Rendezvous" DVD, but a technical problem prevented that. Doug Adler has access to a great projection TV, so don't miss this showing.

Special Added Attraction! Vault Tour of Petersen Auto Museum & Clean Car Show, Sunday, May 2, 10:30 AM

We have been offered a vault tour at the Petersen, and will have a clean car show on the parking garage roof as

well. See page 11 for details. This is a new event, not on the earlier calendars, so don't miss it!

Board Meeting – Wednesday, May 5, 7:30 PM

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Pines to Palms Tour – May 15-16

Jim and Elyse Barrett have worked up another winning tour for us to enjoy driving our Alfas. Despite the wild fires in October, the town of Julian is intact and looking for apple pie-eaters. There are still some nice roads, not all of them lined with blackened landscapes. Last year was

a great drive, so plan to join us in a fun driving weekend. See pages 8-9 for more details.

General Meeting – Friday, May 28, 8:00 PM

Join us for the May general meeting at the Veteran's Center in Culver City. The usual coffee and donuts will be served as well as our monthly drawing for an assortment of prizes. Entertainment is being planned, and will be announced later.

Time Trial and Race and Enduro, Buttonwillow – May 29-30

Come spend the Memorial Day Weekend at Buttonwillow! If you are not on our time trial mailing list, contact Terry Watson or Phyllis Gaylard; for more information, contact Doug Bender – all at the phones and E-mails listed on the masthead, page 2. More information will be available later, including details of the Enduro and barbecue dinner at this event.

DON'T MISS:
Wild Flower Rally
April 18!
Petersen Vault Tour
May 2!
Pines to Palms Tour
May 15-16!

View from the Top

Mostly Ramblings of Il Presidente!

Last month I began my ramblings with "What a great end to the month". All I can say about March is "What a great month".

When asked why he was no longer Il Presidente of AROSC, Paul Blankenship said he was overthrown by a bloody, messy coup — that took him 3 years to organize. After three months on the job, I've come to the conclusion that he should have been committed.

The month started with a successful AROSC High Performance Driving School weekend and ended with what I have been told was the best run, most successful Time Trial / Race weekend that the club has ever held at Laguna Seca. More on that later, but first the Driving School:

The weather was spectacular. Sunshine, high 60's low 70's, mostly calm. My wife Evy has been to the school twice before and this time she shared the Ti with me and drove in the Time Trial group. I've been married to this woman for 38 years and she never ceases to surprise me. She still (which no one can understand) is not too thrilled with the skid pad, but she really drives a nice line. Our traditional Saturday night Chinese feast was the best attended that anyone could recall. We were entertained by the hilarious, but true stories that Tony Adamowicz spun around the great slide presentation that Brad Gray put together outlining Tony's life as a professional Race Driver. Tony, who was 1968 2.5 Trans Am Champ, 1969 SCCA Formula 5000 Champ and Factory Ferrari Team Driver during the 1970's (setting the fast lap at Le Mans in 1971), was an active guest instructor at the school. I don't think he had as much fun as when he drove a rolling gas tank designed to look like a van in the original Cannonball Run, but we all had a great time.

I missed my first event in quite a while by taking Evy to Las Vegas for her "Big Birthday" the weekend of the Swap Meet and Dyno Session at Omega Motor Sports. I have it from reliable sources that the day went well (into the early evening) with Phyllis Gaylard winning the horsepower competition with her new 164 daily beater generating over 200 horses.

Our general meeting this month was held at Mosier Restoration in Inglewood on the last Thursday of the month and our backdrop was an 8c2900B long body

roadster that just came in from an all 8c Rally in New Mexico. This particular car, 1 of 3, won its class at Pebble Beach 2 years ago. The Horch, which had just come in prior to our last meeting six months ago had been stripped down and was in the process of being reconstructed. Bob Mosier was his usual genial self answering questions and expounding on both the history of each car and the process that they were going through. Next meeting at Mosiers will be the end of October.

Laguna Seca. I'm still on an adrenaline high. I've been to Laguna Seca as a spectator, but this was going to be my first weekend as a driver and though apprehensive, I was pumped. The weather Saturday morning was a little threatening, but that passed quickly and the day wound up being sunny in the mid 70's getting up to the low 80's on Sunday.

I started to look for someone to buckle into my passenger seat and show me the line and I found Fred Hamilton. For those of you who haven't met Fred, **he will be turning 90** around the time you read this and he has been Time Trialing his 93 Buick Regal for the past 9 years. His instruction was impeccable, unfortunately my driving wasn't. Approaching the famous Cork Screw, Fred was advising me to *really* slow down and take a very late apex. I didn't do either well. I found out later that Zinardi, a number of years earlier, to win his race originally used the line I took across the dirt. Fred quietly mentioned that I had apexed a little early and continued his instruction as if nothing unusual had happened. By the end of the session I understood what I was supposed to try and do. I can never thank Brad Grey enough for asking me to take one of the Intro groups on a lead and follow. One hour of concentrating on running the perfect line while slowly building confidence and speed in the drivers following me was an unbelievable learning tool. The team, headed by Doug Bender and Bruce Colby really came together. Dennis Fibrow and Greg Nelson kept the schedule running smoothly and it seemed as if Brad Gray, running Intro and the Drivers Meeting and Steve Hamilton with Novice Group were everywhere. I'm sure Doug Bender will have a lot to say and thanks to pass around in his article about the weekend.

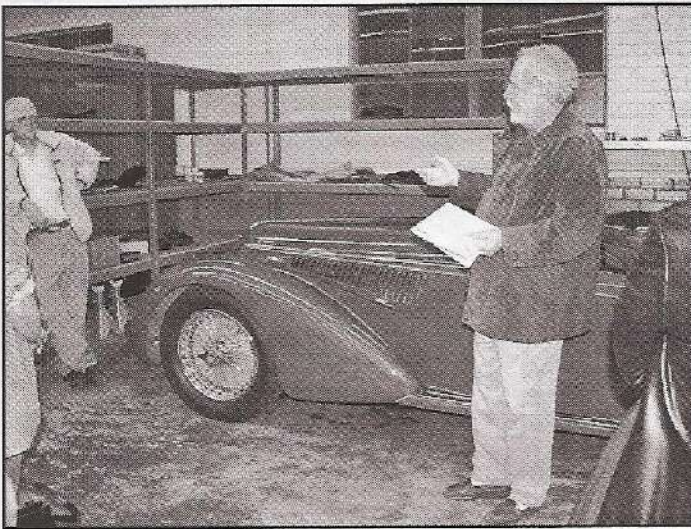
Buttonwillow, over Memorial Day weekend, featuring a 2.5-hour Enduro will be awesome. If you don't drive, come out and treat yourself to some great spectating.

You'll find plenty of drivers willing to take passengers and a great AROSC barbecue.

April will feature a road rally in Search of Wildflowers. Starting near the Southern end of Malibu we will run a Poker Gimmick Rally north over the challenging and daunting switchback roads of the Santa Monica Mountains, ending where we began, to have lunch at the beach.

We have a special event added to the calendar on **Sunday, May 2nd at the Peterson Automotive Museum in Los Angeles.** Thanks to Paul Dexler, we will have an area for a clean car corral in the parking lot and **we will have a guided, private tour of the museum vault.** This is an extraordinarily rare occasion and should not to be missed.

Keep the wheel-side down,
Norm Silverman (Norman I, Rex)



President Norman I, Rex conducts the club meeting at Mosier Restorations in front of a lovely Alfa 8c2900B.



A number of Alfisti and friends enjoy the dinner in Monterey following a day at Laguna Seca.

Victory by Design: Alfa Romeo DVD

"Victory by Design: Alfa Romeo" is a pure treat for 'Alfisti'. This DVD is feature-length and covers most of the milestone sports racers and Grand Prix cars that established Alfa Romeo as one of the truly great marques in automobile history. An abbreviated version has been shown on Speed Channel, but the DVD is better!

We are trying to arrange a bulk purchase for AROSC members and I would like to hear from anyone interested. The current price is \$24.99 plus S & H and I have seen them on ebay for over \$30 plus S & H.

Alain de Cadenet, a true authority on Alfas, particularly the pre-WW2 cars of Vittorio Jano and Enzo Ferrari, drives and appraises many of the actual cars that won the great classic races which would help create the Alfa legend that's still with us today.

Some of the superb Alfas featured include: the 8C 2300 Zagato, the actual car last raced by Enzo Ferrari as a driver. The actual P3 in which Tazio Nuvolari won the famous 1935 German Grand Prix. The only three 2900A racers ever built, together again for the first time since their Mille Miglia success of the mid 1930s. The awesome Monoposto B, winner of Grands Prix and the Mille Miglia. The unique 2900B Le Mans Coupe. The only surviving 12C Alfa. The Disco Volante. The Fangio-winning 6C 3000CM. The incredible Alfetta, winner of the first two World Grand Prix Championships in 1950 and 1951. The multiple European Championship winning GTA and GTAm. The TZ1 and racing Giulietta and Giulia range. The 33/2 Daytona, 33/3, and TT 33/12, which took Alfa Romeo to two World Sports Car Championships in the 1970s.

What makes this Alfa Romeo show such a must for the enthusiast, is that these important and valuable cars have been shipped to a series of international locations where director Tony Maylam and his production team have been able shoot the cars in action and capture them in superb widescreen photography with **'in your face' Alfa Romeo surround sound.** It will be a very long time that so many important Alfas will be entrusted to a film company and shot in such an all-encompassing way.

Swap Meet at Omega

Dyno Session and Barbeue

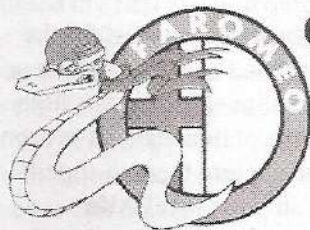
Photos by Gene Brown

It was a beautiful day for a swap meet -- sunny and pleasant weather. However, the main attractions were Dave Evans' dyno and Uwe Backer's grilled German sausages. There was a good turnout of browsers and the food and beverage sales were brisk! Ye Editor claims the top horsepower reading of the day at 203.3 in her recently acquired 164Quad. It took until after 6:00 PM to get in a run, but it was worth it. And the car has 70,000 miles and the original spark plugs still! Many thanks to Uwe & Omega MS.



Although this was a swap meet, there was a small selection of parts to look over. I don't think this lot was towed here by the bicycle!

This 2600 needed some tuning on the dyno.



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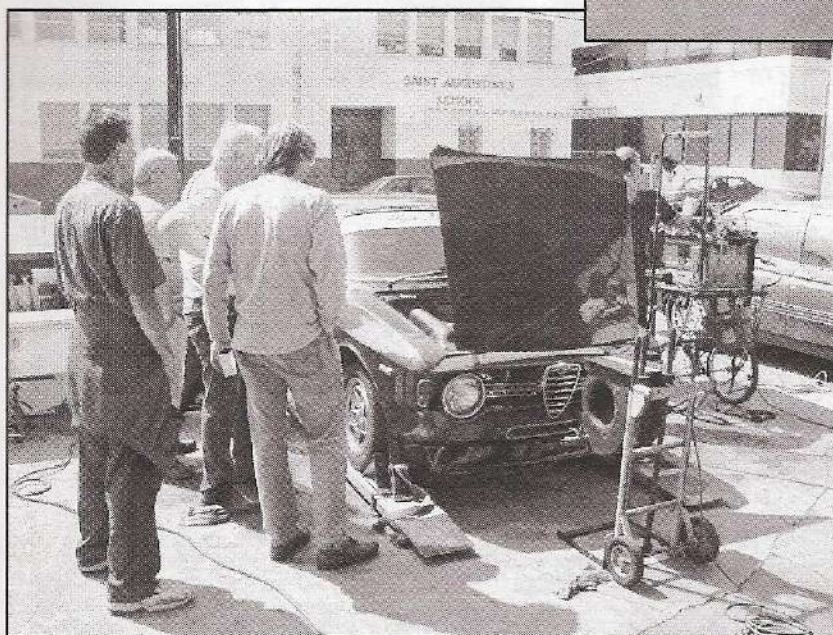
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Dave Evans inspects Bruce Colby's twin spark motor -- where is that timing mark?



Bruce Colby's twin spark drew lots of on-lookers while running on the dyno. He was disappointed in his readings, as he had quieted the car down in preparation for Laguna Seca's noise limit, and lost horse-power due to the filters, etc.



Dirk Stoehr's Fiat 130 coupe drew lots of attention sitting in the shop. It looks and sounds like a small Ferrari! A very luxurious car for a Fiat!

Pines to Palms Tour 2004

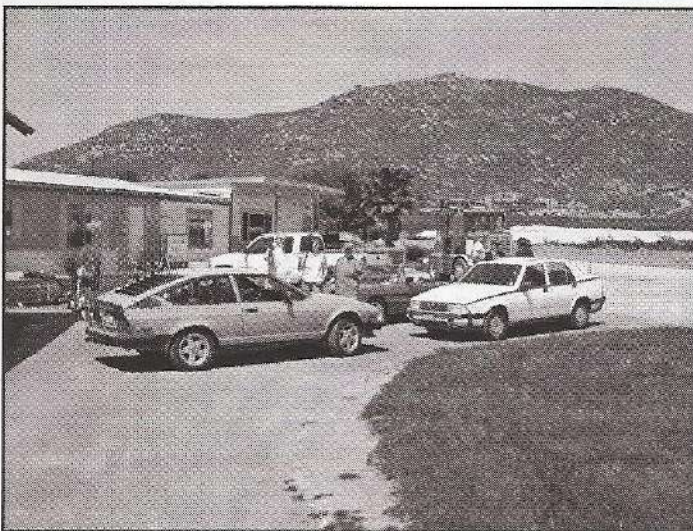
Second Annual Back Road Cruise, May 15-16

Yes, we will be returning to the back roads of Orange, Riverside and San Diego counties for another charming drive, cheese sampling, picnic and overnight stay, as we get away to the country.

We will again use the route (slightly modified) that Charlie and Bonnie Schwartz led participants during the fabulously successful 2002 National Convention, so if you didn't make it then or missed it last year, 2004 is your next opportunity.

Please assemble at the Walnut Grove coffee shop in San Juan Capistrano (near the mission on Ortega Highway, just west of the 5 freeway) for a 10 a.m. roll-out through cougar country over Highway 74.

We'll descend and leisurely skirt the Lake Elsinore area, en route to our first stop at the Winchester Cheese Company to taste (and buy!) award-winning gouda that rivals some Italian Parmesano Reggianos in character and flavor.



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P2P04 Highlights:

- * Minimal Freeway Driving
- * Gourmet Gouda Tasting at Winchester Cheese Co.
- * Juried Picnic Basket Lunch in Idyllwild
- * Two Escape Opportunities
- * Accommodations at cozy, comfy Julian Lodge
- * Dinner within walking distance of the lodge



Last year's tour group gathered in Idyllwild for a photo op.

Then our tour continues east through heavenly Hemet (a fuel stop is expected here), and up the foothills of Mt. San Jacinto to the Idyllwild county park for a picnic lunch.



Picnicing in Idyllwild -- the Pines portion of the tour.

Day use fees for the park are \$2 per adult, usually paid through the honor system in deposit-box envelopes. Here, as is the local and club custom, another Picnic Basket Judging will take place, where there are no limits to the creativity and tasteful presentation of the assembled treats!

Depending on the number of participants, some cool prize categories will be:

- * Multo Italiano
- * Ever-So Alfa Romeo
- * Shabby Chic
- * Judge's Choice



Elise pleads "Someone please challenge Mary's Alfa picnic layout!" It was certainly awesome at the Pepperdine Concourse.

End of lunch is Escape #1. Those on tight turnaround schedules may bail here at 5,303 feet. Pack your parachutes.

After the mass consumption of gourmet goodies, we will head south through northern San Diego county on two-lane roads through Anza, Warner Springs and Garner Valley to the mining hamlet of Julian, our overnight destination.

Besides glimpsing the devastation caused by last year's wild fires, we will see nature's green response to that disaster, a fitting reminder of our state's strength and resilience.

Escape #2 is outside of Santa Isabel, at the junction of highways 79 and 78, where we begin the ascent to Julian.

Our accommodations are at the Julian Lodge, and reservations will need to be made there for your overnight stay: call (800) 542-1420 or reserve online at julianlodge@yahoo.com.

We have reserved a block of eight rooms (with single queen beds) at a rate of \$105.00 (AAA discount!) plus tax. Please make your reservation early, and mention the "Alfa Romeo Club" or "Barrett". Besides the pleasant lack of a two-night minimum, the Julian Lodge offers onsite parking, breakfast from 7:30 to 8:45, check in by 3:00, and check out by 12 noon.

Our dining experience Saturday night is still to be determined, but there's a high probability apple pie will be available. Julian has charming shops and a cool mine tour to see, and we are planning to arrive soon enough Saturday afternoon for antiques touring (or a nap); dinner will also be earlier than later to satisfy those driving-inspired appetites!

Sunday's homeward transit could include a morning sprint over Yaqui Pass into Borrego Springs and out through Ranchita then over Highway 76 into Pauma Valley and Pala, with return freeway routes along Interstate 15 or 5.

Come join the fun – give your Alfa an Italian tune-up on the twisties and at altitude – and sample the best of spring in Southern California. To RSVP and for answers to your questions and to get more details, call Elyse and Jim Barrett at (714) 964-9530 or E-mail us at eddinab@mindspring.com.

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Wild Flower Rallye

It's Spring So There Must Be Flowers!

Tune up your cars. Check the brakes. Find the barf bags - it's Wild Flower Rallye Time! Those of you from last year's rallye know of my fascination with wickedly twisty roads. This year's course promises more of the same to test our fabulous Italian machines and driving abilities. What a great way to spend a day: your favorite car, your favorite driving partner, some great roads and hopefully wild flowers. With all of the recent rain, we should have vista upon vista of flower covered hillsides. Oh, and look at the road now and again too.

The AROSC Wild Flower Rallye will be held on April 18th, 2004. We will be starting at 10:00 am at the Reel Inn on PCH just west of Topanga Blvd, and just east of Malibu. (PCH runs east-west here.) Note the change in start location, and please be on time. The start has been moved from Michael Landon Park due to multiple Little League games filling the parking lot.

This year's first rallye will be a poker style rallye, not like last year when Norman, now known as Norman I, Rex, forgot to bring the cards! You will receive an instruction sheet and one playing card at the start. You will receive more playing cards at various checkpoints along the way and at the end. The best poker hand wins. This is not a timed event, so relax and enjoy. However, if you go over the allotted time, you will be disqualified. This is to keep things moving and not drag the day out too long.

It would be advisable for you to bring a clipboard and a pen so that you may check off the driving directions as you go. This implies that you will need to bring a co-pilot. Try not to bring someone that A) can't read B) gets carsick C) whines like a little kid or D) smells bad. Remember to top off the gas tank prior to starting. There are NO gas stations en route. For those of you with thirsty Alfas, plan on a round trip from the start to the end of the rallye of about 75 miles or so. There are gas stations

just before the restaurant. For those bladder-challenged members, facilities are to be found at the gas stations and at one place about mid-rallye. Please prepare accordingly. Always make sure your Alfa is in good working order and check the tires and check the brakes! Always obey local laws and the posted speed limits. Anyone acquiring a little piece of paper from a local enforcement officer will be disqualified.

As mentioned above, the rallye will start at the Reel Inn. The rallye will also end at the Reel Inn, where we will have lunch. So, what this means is that if you get lost, head back to the start. Once everyone is present and accounted for, we will be served lunch. Parking at the restaurant is in an "Alfa Lot" and we have a special place on the outdoor patio for our lunch and awards. The restaurant is on the north-west corner of PCH and Topanga.

Jay Negrin and myself are busy putting the finishing touches on the rallye, so come out and support our efforts. Make your plans now and put the date on the calendar. Remember, this a great way to try to earn an award at the yearly banquet. I hope to see everyone from last year and a bunch of new faces as well. Rallye On!

Bill Carson

P.S. A couple of volunteer workers would be appreciated. Please contact Bill Carson.

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Special Added Event! Petersen Vault Tour and Clean Car Show Sunday, May 2!!

**New Event on the Calendar! Vault Tour at the Petersen, May 2!
Mark Your Calendars Now -- Don't Miss it!**

Paul Dexler has offered us a "vault tour" at the Petersen Automotive Museum, and we have agreed on a date: Sunday, May 2. We will have a 'clean car show' on the top level of the Museum parking garage, and gather inside the museum for this special tour. Those who went on a Petersen tour during our convention in 2002 may have been lucky enough to have a vault tour then. The vault holds those cars in work, and those not currently on display, so there are lots of good things to see. In addition, you can tour the whole museum later, and see what's new since your last visit.

The Museum opens at 10:00 AM, and we will buy our tickets and gather inside about 10:30 AM for this special tour. Paul will meet us no later than 11:00 AM and conduct us to the vault. Don't be late, as stragglers will be out of luck.

After the Petersen tour, there are places for lunch in Farmers Market (north on Fairfax at 3rd Street), or in the Jewish district at Kaplan's Deli (south on Fairfax past San Vicente), or on 'Restaurant Row' to the west on La Cienega Blvd. There are also many other museums on Wilshire, including the LA Museum of Modern Art and the La Brea Tar Pits, both across the street, if your significant other would rather look at paintings, or take the kids to see dinosaur bones, while you look at cars.

The Petersen Automotive Museum is located at 6060 Wilshire Blvd., LA 90036, at the corner of Fairfax and Wilshire in the 'Miracle Mile' district. Take the Fairfax exit from the Santa Monica Freeway (I-10), and go north about 2 miles to the Museum entrance on the right, just before Wilshire Blvd.

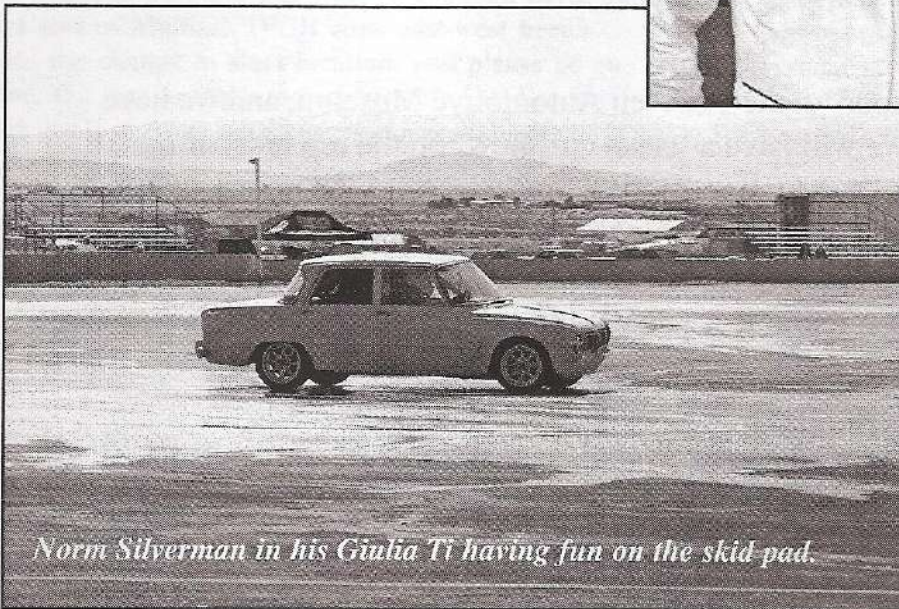
Spring Driver's School

Streets of Willow, March 6-7

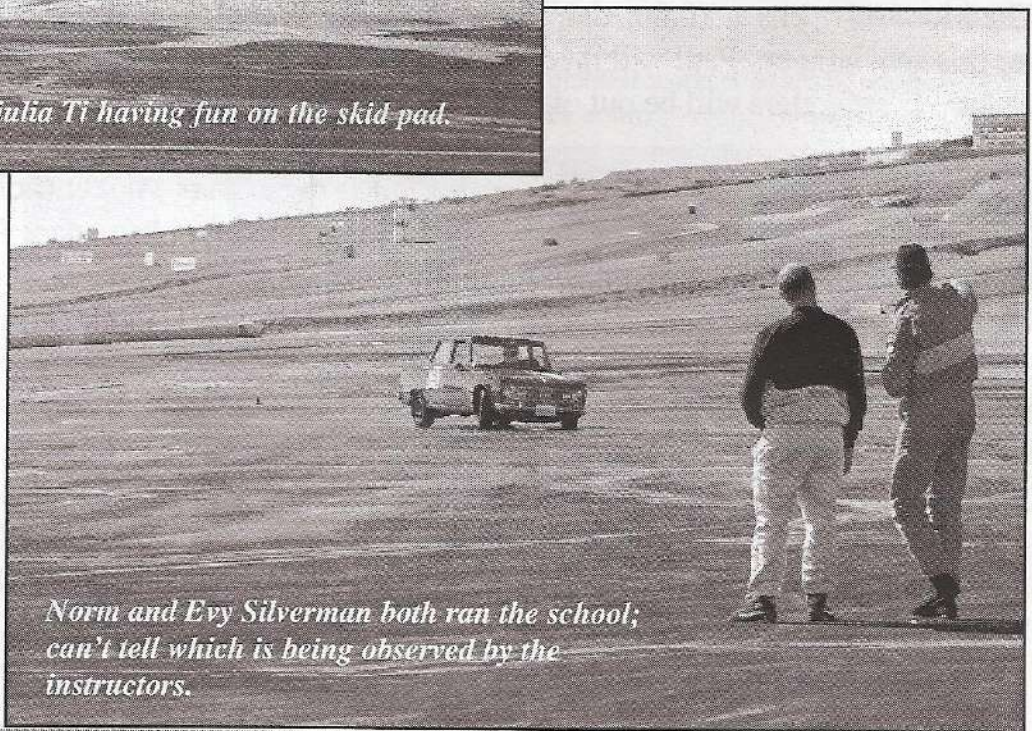
Our 'Semi-Official' photographer, Mike McKibbin, sent some pictures from the recent Drivers School. He commented that as he was occupied with driving, he delegated his camera to his daughter's boyfriend, Justin Contreras. This explains the preoccupation with Andrea and her big pickup truck. More photos were provided by Paul Dexler, and the instructor shot to the right is compliments of Tony Adamowicz, our guest instructor. As shown, Tony had a great time.



Brad, Greg, and guest instructor Tony Adamowicz.



Norm Silverman in his Giulia Ti having fun on the skid pad.



Norm and Evy Silverman both ran the school; can't tell which is being observed by the instructors.



Andrea: Get Ready!



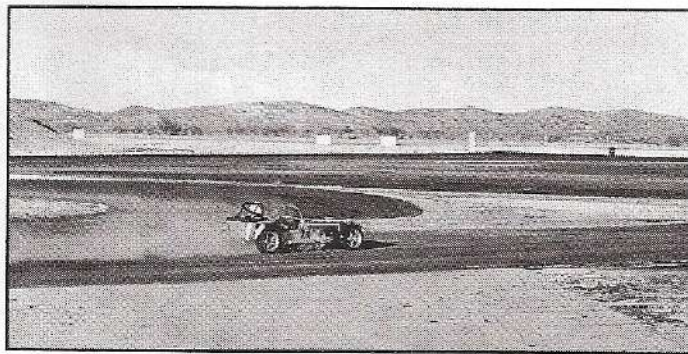
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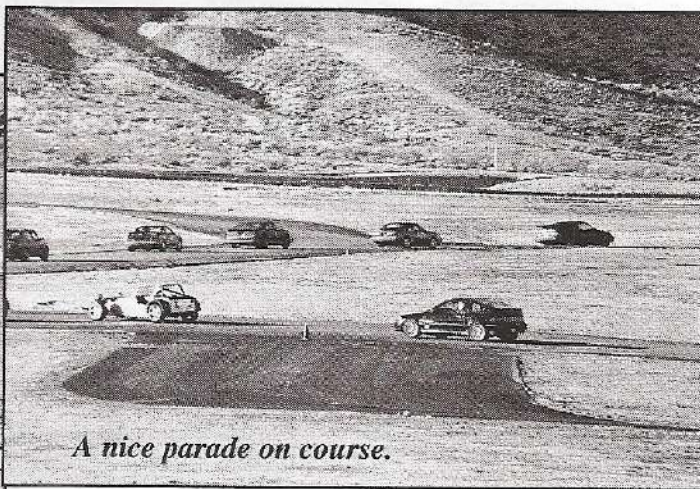
Keep up, Andrea!



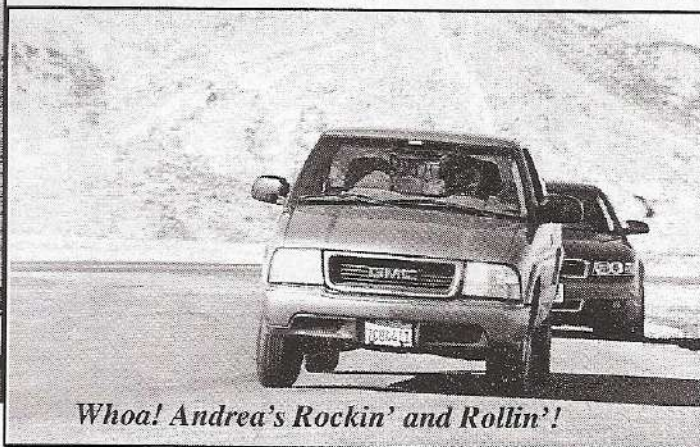
SMOKIN!! Even little cars have to slow for corners!



Mike McKibbin in the lead.



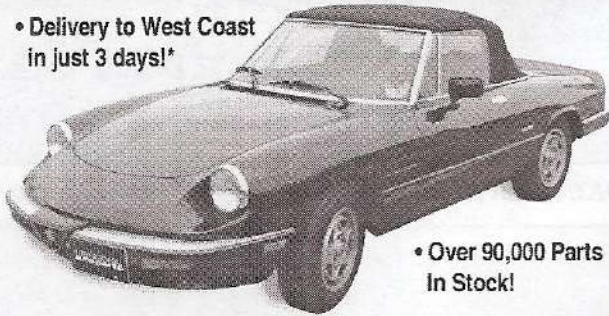
A nice parade on course.



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Goodbye # 13

In late March, Phyllis Gaylard and Alan Ward sold their joint venture Alfa GTV vintage racecar to a buyer in Las Vegas. Phyllis bought the car new in 1974, and has enjoyed the past 30 years of driving it on the roads, in time trials, and with Alan racing in vintage events. We have

been campaigning spec racers, and have a Datsun 510 vintage sedan as well.

So what are Alan and Phyllis going to do with all their free weekends? We haven't thought much about it yet,

but Alan is available now for driver coaching one-on-one at any event and for co-driving at the enduro. "Have license, will travel"! With his racing background in Alfas, VW Golf's (Firehawk Series) and Renault Alliance (Renault Cup) and other cars, he can help just about anyone drive faster and better. Call him at (702) 898-1270 in Henderson, Nevada (but not too early in the day) if you are interested - keep him from spending too much time in the bowling alleys.

FYI, all the spare parts went with the car, but the trailer is available, and is listed in the classified ads. Alan can still provide Ward & Deane springs, sway bars, and Panhard rods, and still has his machine shop at home if you are looking to improve the handling of your Alfa.



A recent photo of #13 in nearly full race trim -- Alan at Las

had some measure of success, and have been one of the top 5 vintage sedans running in the area. However, time marches on, we aren't getting any younger, and Social Security checks don't cover more than basic necessities, so the racing budget has shrunk. We couldn't refuse a good offer.

We expect the car will be well cared for, and will appear in vintage racing later in the year, probably with a different color scheme. Alan will be on call as technical advisor while the new owner and driver become familiar with their first Alfa Romeo. They have



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Cyber Reminders

This goes out to all of you in Cyber-land. As many of you might know, I have a service that I provide to club members who have email. I send out reminder notices approximately one week ahead of most club events and meetings. Occasionally I send out notices of non-club functions that are thought to be of particular interest to club members. This is strictly on a volunteer basis, on both of our parts. You have to want to be included on my list to get the reminders. Those who are already getting the reminders are already familiar with it. Those who do not, may not be aware of this service that I provide.

For those who wish to be included, but have not yet notified me, please contact me at my email address, included below, and let me know if you want to receive the reminders.

There have been many changes going on in regards to Internet service providers. Companies have been bought, sold, and/or gone out of business. This may leave some of you with changes in your email addresses. That is fine for you, but for those of us trying to keep in touch, it presents some interesting challenges.

Therefore, I am also asking all of you out there who have had changes to their email services recently, specifically those who now have a new email address/screen name, to email me with those changes. If you have not been notified of recent events via email, this may be the reason. If you want to continue receiving these reminders, I will need a current, working email address.

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1979 Spider: Yellow with tan cloth interior. 2.0 SPICA, red Konis, springs, new T.A.'s, \$2,800 OBO. Call Mark at (818) 734-0150 or (818) 402-8548 or E-mail to redgatr@aol.com. (4/4)

Chassis Test Dynamometer: I have a chassis test dyno that I am no longer using, and I am trying to find a home for it. This is a drive onto (chassis) dyno, which can be placed above ground or in ground, for acceleration testing or sorting out of cars (before you go to the track and find out you have a problem with your transmission or engine at speed). It's a Mustang MD100 model (www.mustangdyne.com). If anyone is interested, I will be happy to send more details. It is located near San Diego; a flat bed freight truck will be required for pick up or shipping. A trade for something of interest (Alfa) might be acceptable. Please contact Peter Nitoglia at alfasport@excite.com. (3/4)

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Parts: Parting out 1967 GTV. Call for more info. Call Fred at (360) 770-2279. (3/4)

Parts wanted: Driving/fog lights from Giulia Ti. Will pay almost anything for a good pair. Also firewall "Tupo plate" for Giulia Super, and passenger side 'C' pillar badge holder (trapezoidal shape). Call Fred at (360) 770-2279. (3/4)

Trying to locate what was my 1974 GTV: I have spoken to two people who may have seen the car in Santa Monica in the late 80's. I am certain that I will locate it eventually. I lost my family in an accident while I owned the car. I sold it to a Tucson Alfa dealer in 1977 or 1978. Its return to me would recoup many wonderful memories. Please contact David Saint John by E-mail: dsaintjohn@mdausa.org. (3/4)

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AROSC VIDEO CONSORTIUM

Doug Adler has volunteered to compile a "Year in Review" video for use at club meetings, etc. We know a lot of competitors video tape their efforts at the Time Trials, and we would like to use some of that footage -- and highlight those "hot shoes" for all to see.

Please send your footage throughout the year to Doug Adler at 3031 Blondell Place, Newbury Park, CA.91320. (Any format - originals will be returned by request.) Videos will then be categorized chronologically by track or event, edited and be made available to club members so that we can share our experiences and show others what we do.

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25 AROSC Annual Meeting and Luncheon at Hanks Bistro, Lawndale	4 AROSC Board Meeting	6-7 Drivers School, Streets of Willow	18 Wild Flower Rallye
31-1 Time Trial - Willow Springs	27 General Meeting - 8pm, Culver City	21 Swap Meet at Omega MotorSports, 9am	30 General Meeting - 8pm Culver City
	29 Concours @ Pepperdine University, Malibu	25 General Meeting, 7:30 <u>Mosier Restoration</u>	
		27-28 Time Trial @ Laguna Seca	
May	June	July	August
2 <u>Petersen Museum Tour</u>	2 Board Meeting	7 Board Meeting	4 Board Meeting
5 Board Meeting	13 Concours at Craig Park Fullerton	11 Summer Beach Party at Huntington Beach	13 Concorso Italiano,
15-16 Palms to Pines Tour	18-20 Calif Historic Races at Fontana w/spectators	17 Braile Rallye 2004	14-15 Monterey Historics
28 General Meeting - 8pm, Culver City	25 General Meeting - 8pm Culver City	29-1 AROC National Convention, New Hampshire	27 General Meeting - 8pm Culver City
29-30 Time Trial & Race @ Buttonwillow		30 General Meeting/ <u>Tech Session, Omega MS</u> - 8pm, Culver City	28 Mt Wilson Climb to the Stars
September	October	November	December
1 Board Meeting	6 Board Meeting	3 Board Meeting	5 Competition Committee Meeting
4-5 Time Trial & Race @ Las Vegas Road Course	10 Rally	7 Best of France & Italy Car Show & Concours	11 Holiday Party at the Kutkus' home
11-12 Drivers School, Streets of Willow	16-17 Alfa-Porsche Challenge, VARA @ Las Vegas	13-14 Wine Tour	12 Board Meeting & Planning for 2004 at the Kutkus' home
24 General Meeting, 8pm Culver City	23-24 Time Trial & Race @ Willow Springs	19 General Meeting, 8pm White Turkey Sale & Elections, Culver City	
26 Swap Meet/Dyno Session/MagnaFlow	29 General Meeting, <u>7:30pm</u> At <u>Mosier Restorations</u>		