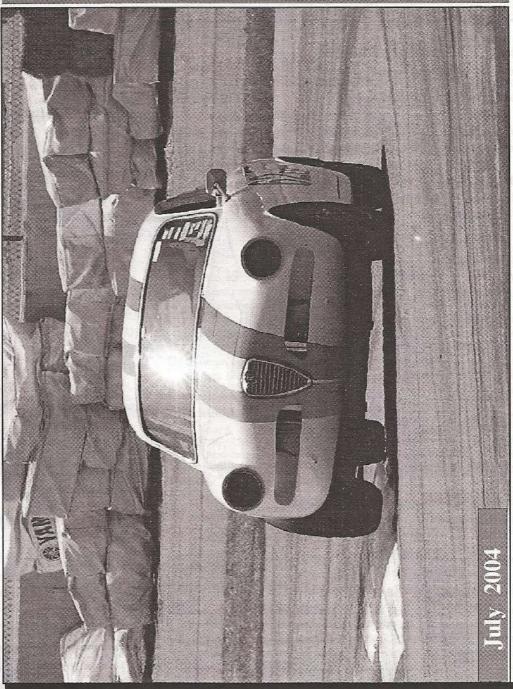
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General Meetings are held the last Friday of each month except November and December at 8:00pm, usually in the Uruapan Room at Veterans' Memorial Park at the corner of Culver and Overland in Culver City. In November the meeting will be held on the 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

Loren Eakin came over from Arizona to run the HSR West Historic races at Fontana last month, and this photo shows how hard he was working in the tight portion of the track. The car looks great considering the body damage done at Phoenix Raceway in February -- everyone told him it was a total, but Loren is too stuborn to give up! Photo by H&H Sports, www.hhsports.com, Tim Henry.

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AROSC Previews

An outline of coming events

DON'T MISS:

July 30 -- 8:00PM

Meeting and Tech

Session at Omega

MotorSports

General Meeting and Tech Session at Omega MotorSports – July 30, 8:00 PM

This is a special meeting, our annual tech session at Omega MotorSports in Culver City. Do not go to Veterans Park, as we decided not to rent it for a brief sojourn. We will have a minimum of business, and then get down to the good stuff: cars on the lifts so we can see what the bottoms look like, Q&A with Uwe Backer, proprietor of Omega, and pizza and beverages. Omega is located just a mile or so northeast of our usual meeting, at 3822 Clarington Ave, between Venice and

Washington, just north of Sony Studio. Call (310) 836-3160 if you need detailed directions.

Board Meeting – Wednesday, August 4, 7:30 PM

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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 typically is Hank's Bistro in Lawndale, at the corner of Rosecrans and Hawthorne Blyds.

Concourso Italiano, Monterey - Friday, August 13

This is the big annual show that precedes the Monterey Historics and the Pebble Beach show and auction. If you don't have room reservations by now, expect a long daily commute. Contact Norman Silverman for more information on joining the caravan to Monterey.

General Meeting - Friday, August 27, 8:00 PM

Join us for the August 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.

Climb to the Stars, Mount Wilson – Saturday, August 28, 6:00 PM

This annual event is a great way to spend a summer evening. You drive up a neat Alfa road, have a picnic dinner at the top of Mount Wilson (bring something interesting – we might have a contest) and see the fantastic layout of the city lights after the sun goes down. It is fun to try to figure out the landmarks after dark, as it looks so much flatter than it does from down below. We will probably meet again at the UNOCAL 76 station at the northeast corner of S. Arroyo Parkway and E. Glenarm

St., at the end of the Pasadena Fwy, and then caravan up the mountain in time for sunset.

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Time Trial and Race, Las Vegas - September 4-5

Our next time trial at the revised Las Vegas Speedway road course will be the first AROSC Invitational: many other clubs will be joining us for this event. Our Competition Committee has come up with over \$3,000 worth of great door prizes, with free tickets to entrants and additional tickets for sale to benefit "The Breast Cancer 3-Day". We have found a great new hotel/casino, the Cannery in North Las Vegas to serve as our base of operations and site of our International Buffet dinner on Saturday evening. This is a 'Don't Miss' event, and with Monday being a holiday, you can stay over to play, or leave early and beat the traffic home. For more information, contact Doug Bender at (310) 373-3552 or E-mail at alfabender@verizon.net. The entry forms are in the mail; call Phyllis at (714) 377-6377 for a copy.

View from the Top

Mostly Ramblings of Il Presidente!

June has turned out to be a welcomed month of recovery not only for Evie and I, but our 2 forty year old girls -Giulia Spider Veloce and Giulia Ti. The major event of the month was our Concours at Craig Park in Fullerton. The weather was beautiful and this Orange County venue has turned out to be (for the second year in a row), perfect. Having a shaded picnic area on the lake with our own black top parking lot helps, but the addition of a judging class for Daily Drivers has really pushed up the attendance and participation. Doug Adler, PA system and all, with able assistance from Stephanie (Concours de Picnic Director), was organized enough, by Alfisti standards, to get things done pretty much on schedule. For the first time that I can remember, we had a greater representation of closed cars than open cars. I'm sure Doug will have some more detailed comments about the day.

Sunday, July 11, we will be holding our Annual Summer Party at the Huntington Beach home of Phyllis Gaylard. The Peach Trees will have ripe fruit, the bocce ball court will be ready and the potluck lunch is guaranteed to be extraordinary. **PLEASE**, mi faccia il favore di telefonare and let Phyllis know what you are planning to bring, or ask what is needed. Plenty of parking, ocean breezes and old, fermented grape juice will be in abundance.

The following weekend, on July 17th, we will have AROSC drivers joining with drivers from the Mini Club, the MG Club, the Sheriffs Department, CHPs, etc., at the "Braille Rallye 2004". This annual event serves as a graduation exercise for Braille and partially sighted Large Print readers. Around 60 visually impaired navigators assist drivers in a 2-2.5 hour Time, Speed, Distance Rallye. I found that in some cases, especially mine, the drivers were more impaired than the navigators. My slight hearing impairment coupled with the wonderful sound of the Alfa had me lip reading at red lights and stop signs. Even if you don't plan on driving, volunteers are needed for manning check points, midway refreshment breaks and helping with the barbecue. Please contact Patricia West at (714) 841-1249 or email: nseandwest@juno.com. This is a 'feel good all over' day. Don't miss it.

The day after the Braille Rallye, Sunday July 18th is the 'Art Center College of Design' Car Classic Show. For generations the Art Center has trained people that have been responsible for the automotive industries most memorable cars and this show celebrates the best in

automotive design. Cars will be represented in all classes from pre-war to the newest supercars. The location is 1700 Lida Street, Pasadena and make sure you have plenty of film or a mega chip.

The AROC National Convention is being held from July29 to August 1 in beautiful New Hampshire. In addition to some great track events, you can expect some spectacular roads and scenery while traversing the historically famous Green and White Mountains. Evie and I migrated to California from the vicinity of that beautiful region and are genuinely upset that a scheduling conflict prevents us from going. We are counting on Charlie and Bonnie Schwartz (which they will discover while reading this missive) to regale us with wonderful tales of their visit at our August 27th General Meeting (how about a side show?)

Our month ends with our General Meeting combined with a Tech Session at Omega Motor Sports in Culver City. Uwe Backer will have cars on the lifts and after the Q & A part of the meeting there will be pizza and beverages. We will not meet at the Culver City Veterans' Memorial Park, but go directly to Omega Motor Sports. The meeting will begin at 8:00 PM.

Keep the wheels side down,

Norm Silverman (Norman I, Rex)

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Fontana VSRG Race Report

The third round of the Vintage 2.5 Challenge 2004 season was not without its drama at Fontana on Father's Day. Several cars had done some early practice on Thursday but the real event started Friday morning with official practice. It was clear in the morning practice that Steve Link and Richard Beard would be the heavy favorites for pole position. Perhaps veterans Jeff Hecox and CJ Bonura had something left and maybe Mickey Cohen and up and comer Ross Ditlove might have a few surprises for the lead two when qualifying began that afternoon. There were also a couple of unknown newcomers but familiar names such as Tommy Thompson, Hector Vazquez, and Alan Deszcz.

When qualifying finally came the cars streamed out onto Fontana's steep turn one banking each taking their time to warm tires and find a gap where they'd be able to get that "clean" fast lap. Beard and Hecox looked to be the fastest cars early in qualifying with the always quick Bonura close behind. But when qualifying was all over Link had set fast time by over half a second ahead of Beard closely followed by Cohen, Hecox, Bonura, Ditlove, and Bob Wass. Two seconds back from the front seven was another group of cars lead by Ted Kattchee, Gianfranco Masdea, Hector Vaquez, Alan Deszcz, and Tommy Thompson. As the cars exited the track Link's motor was making a huge bottom end noise and it was clear the car was "ast but was it fragile?

Saturday was another beautiful Southern California day meant for racing and the stands at turn five were growing full! The Vintage 2.5 Challenge field also grew with late comers Jake Grubb, Allen Denson, and Al Bordet finally getting things sorted out on their respective racecars. The Saturday race started in the pits with the grid change of Richard Beard sent to the back for an improperly configured car during qualifying. However, Beard was not to be denied when the green flag fell he raced back to the tail end of the lead pack by lap one and Bonura went from fifth to first in an impressive first lap drive. Link who had taken his Datsun home Friday night for an engine overhaul was clearly taking it easy in the early laps making sure this motor would last and his father Floyd Link wouldn't have to pull another all night engine build for the Sunday race.

On lap two Bonura lost concentration and let Link, Cohen, and Beard slip through to lead the race. Just behind the lead pack Bob Wass was trying to hang onto Ditlove but losing a car length each lap. Kattchee, Don Forrester, Masdea, and Vazquez were working on each other for position and top ten bragging rights throughout the race. Thompson had a cam shaft let go and Denson developed an oil leak putting them out of the race. When the race was over Link had managed to hold off Beard and Cohen followed by Bonura, Hecox, Ditlove and Wass.

With plenty of time to prep the cars for the noon start Sunday all the cars but Thompson and Deszcz looked as if they'd make the Trophy race. But as with all the 2.5 Challenge races there has to be some last minute drama! Grubb's car would not fire

and Kattchee's car had no spark with seconds to race time. Crews worked madly trying to bring these beautiful cars to life as the field took to the race track for the final race of the weekend.

When the green flag fell it was Link leading an orderly field into turn one. Cohen was able to slip past Beard for second into turn two with Bonura, Hecox, Ditlove, Wass, Forrester, and Masdea following closely. The order didn't change for the next three laps until Hecox forced his way past Bonura to take fourth place. Forrester was all over Wass and the two yellow Alfas never stopped leaning on each other lap after lap. Masdea was just a few seconds back of the Wass / Forrester battle and ready to pounce if either made a mistake. On lap five Hecox and Bonura rounded the turn one banking side by side flat out top gear with the concrete wall waiting to eat their racecars if they didn't have the skill. This confrontation ended in a classic Vintage 2.5 Challenge braking duel into turn two which Bonura won. Hecox not used to watching from P5 drove off the track momentarily in frustration allowing Bonura to have some breathing room. Bordet getting faster each lap started lapping faster than Masdea who was just ahead but ultimately ran out of race laps.

The front three hadn't changed positions or spacing since lap two so when the white flag was waved at the lead car it took a moment to realize Link was nowhere to be found! Link's perfect weekend came to an abrupt halt when the engine died leaving Steve less than three miles from his third Vintage 2.5 Challenge win. Now all Cohen had to do was hold Beard off for one lap and he'd stand on the tallest box. Beard was just two second behind Cohen and was a very determined racecar driver but just couldn't make up the time with only one lap to go. The race ended with Cohen taking the checkered flag followed by Beard, Bonura, Hecox, Ditlove and Wass / Forrester two tenth apart, what a race!

Results

1- Mickey Conen	Datsun 510
2- Richard Beard	AlfaGTV
3- CJ Bonura	Ford Cortina
4- Jeff Hecox	BMW 2002
5- Ross Ditlove	Datsun 510
6- Bob Wass	AlfaGTV
7- Don Forrester	AlfaGTV
8- Gianfranco Masdea	AlfaGTV
9- Al Bourdet	AlfaGTV
10- Hector Vazquez	AlfaGTV
11- Steve Link	Datsun 510 (fastest race lap 1:54.875)
12- Allen Denson	Ford Capri
13- Jake Grubb	AlfaGTV
14- Tommy Thompson	AlfaGTV
15- Tedd Kattchee	Alfa Guilia Ti
16- Alan Deszcz	BMW 2002
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Pines to Palms Tour 2004

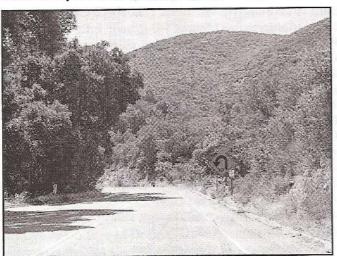
A Perfect Top-Down Touring Weekend

Southern California's rush into a blazing summer took a much-appreciated detour so that six AROSC spiders (plus two tin-tops) could stretch their legs on our second annual Palms to Pines Spring Driving Tour, May 15-16.

From most venerable to youngster, the endearing arachnids were: Norm and Evie Silverman's Giulietta; Jay and Catherine Mackro's Duetto; Jim and Elyse Barrett's 2000 Veloce; Jon & Marsha Pike's Kammtail (joining up with the tour at lunch in Idyllwild); Steve Edleman's Graduate; Charlie and Bonnie's '94. Paul and Mary Blankenship kept to the shade of the Milano and Barrett pal Jack Stafford brought his gunmetal gray 280 CE Mercedes coupe. Dave and Erica Hertig met us at Winchester Cheese Factory with their Z06 Corvette and Glendale-based friends of Il Presidente, with a black 164 rolled in as picnic baskets were being packed up in the park.

The marine layer was pretty much gone by the time the group headed up Ortega Highway on the first leg of the drive over the coastal foothills to the Menifee Valley area and the Wesselink Dairy, our first stop. There were still green grasses under the coast live and canyon oaks; yellow scotch broom and sunflower and orange Indian paintbrush splashed cheery colors along the roadside and red-tailed hawks circled silently on the thermals in their quest for midday munchies.

Out back of Elsinore, suburban sprawl is spreading, but it hasn't totally filled in – yet. Fields of maturing and re-



Another crummy day in the neighborhood, outward bound on highway 74.



The queens of Gouda at Wesselink Farms cently-mown oat hay, large pastures and rocky outcrops let our eyes begin to relax and shift focal length. The driveway in had been graded, so washboarding did not cause any actual breakage – well, maybe we drove it more slowly, too. In addition to the mellow "original mild" semi-soft, spicy cumin, crumbling super-aged and lovely garden herb versions of this fabulous cheese was a smoked gouda. It has the texture of the original mild but that oaky edge that so ably compliments a crostini and a splash of chianti.



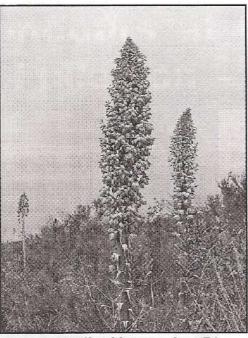
Successful cheese shoppers depart the Gouda 'works'.

Appropriately armed for lunch, we headed back out to Highway 79 and spun off onto Domenigoni Parkway, the cool alternative to cruising downtown Hemet. We made a quick transit through grapefruit orchards, past aging wooden farmhouses classic falling-down barns before

starting up the grade toward Mountain

Center, the turnoff to idyllwild. This part of Highway 74 is actually called "palms to pines highway" and after the last Spanish bayonet yucca blooms were behind us, the pines took over.

At 5,300 feet, the cool air was refreshing, and picnics were arrayed in a flash. It took three tables to accommodate the spread that included everything from Mary's maddeningly

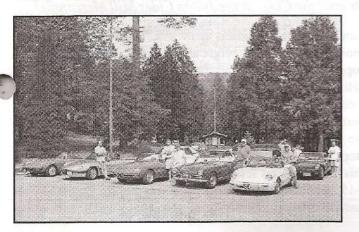


Bayonnets still in bloom on hwy 74



Mary & Paul Blankenship provide another winning entry, in a new theme: floral!

cheerful smiley face flower, to elegant sugar packets Catherine "imported" from their trip to the 2003 Mille Miglia, to the Evie's to-die-for Italian confections.



Gathering for lunch at Idyllwild Park.

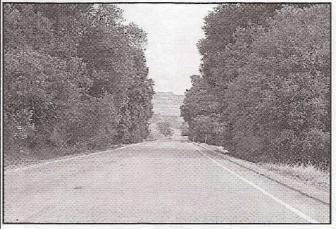
Winners in the picnic judging were:

Multo Italiano – Jay and Catherine
Ever-So Alfa Romeo – Paul and Mary
Shabby Chic / Minimalissimo — Steve Edleman
Founder's Award – Charlie and Bonnie
Judge's Choice — Jon and Marsha
Special Award / First to RSVP – Norm and Evie

After a splash-in-go fuel stop, we descended the south-eastward arm of Highway 74 through Garner Valley to Route 371 and the Anza Valley. The town singage was amusing and so were the gasoline prices (only \$2.43 per gallon for regular). Anza proclaims it is "Where the Past and Future Meet". Oak Grove announces that it is "97 Pleasant People, 2 or 3 Grouches". Sunshine Summit



Molto Italiano Theme by Jay and Katherine Mackro.

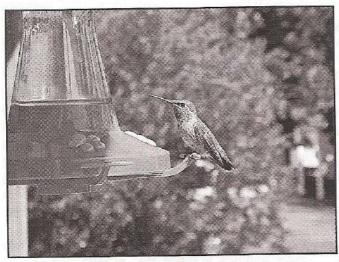


Driving through Oak Glenn apple country: a time machine on the approach to 19th century Julian.

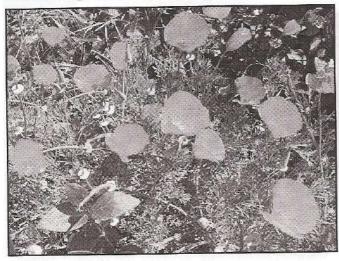
revealed a nice new sign for Shadow Mountain Winery, a stop on a previous AROSC tour. We made quick work of Warner Springs and slid through the Highway 78/79 junction in Santa Ysabel to arrive in Julian at just about 5 p.m. No breakdowns, no overheating, no incidents. Hmmm. Are we good at this or what?

The Julian Lodge was as prepared as they could be for us, and we dispersed – several for a quick foot tour of town before the shops closed, the rest to showers and naps before the traditional cocktail hour "chez Blankenship". The three-story wood-frame hotel was a block off the main thoroughfares, but still centrally located. We could easily take in many points of interest: the historic jailhouse, our dinner spot, the cemetery, founding family residences, and town center.

Although headcount for dinner had expanded and contracted a few times before our arrival, Romano's Dodge House Restaurant had our tables ready, and we enjoyed

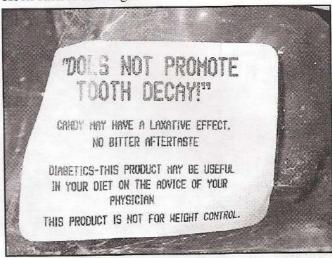


Julilan Lodge caters to Hummingbirds!



Poppies in Julian.

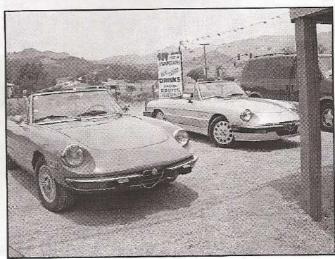
multiple-course and ala carte dishes. Their specialty was roasted meats and custom pizzas. Chicken marsala, pork tenderloin and sausages, then lemon sorbet conspired to have us overeat. We were graciously accommodated after formal closing time, and it was easy to navigate the half-block back to the lodge.



Beware the Cider at the Julian Cider Mill Mercantile!

Sunday dawned cloudless and warm. The busy breakfast room at the lodge was bright and colorful with ample supplies of coffee, cereals, breads, juices and jam. An "Historic Outfit Days Contest" was under way this weekend, so townsfolk and regional history enthusiasts in period dress were making their way toward town center as we rolled homeward. Some L.A.-based tourers made stops in Santa Ysabel for baked goods and to check out this weekend's art festival before making their way to the I-15 and home. Others made their way toward Escondido and the coast, stopping at a Ramona fruit stand or two.

Thank you, everyone, for making this another wonderful tour. - Elyse and Jim Barrett



Homeward bound, after a fun weekend tour.

Concours at Craig Park, Fullerton – June 13

ORANGE COUNTY CONCOURS WAS STRONG! by Doug Adler

The recent concours held at Craig Park was wonderful. For those of you that did not attend, you really missed out. 13 cars were judged in four classes with a total of 15 Alfas present. Many new faces came out of the woodwork and brought some really cool cars including a very original '64 2600 Spider, some 'new to the club' GTVs, and a late arrival '72 Junior Z.

The cars enjoyed a beautiful lakeside position in the park and the dissolving early fog gave way to a glorious day. The new Daily Driver class is growing fast, dominating this event with six entries with Stephen Edelman in his super clean Spider Quad taking top honors and Phyllis Gaylard knocking on the door with her eye-popping 164 Quad. Norm Silverman ran away with the Open award in his '65 Guilia Spider as did yours truly in the Non-Alfa class campaigning the Lancia with literally and thankfully, no competition.

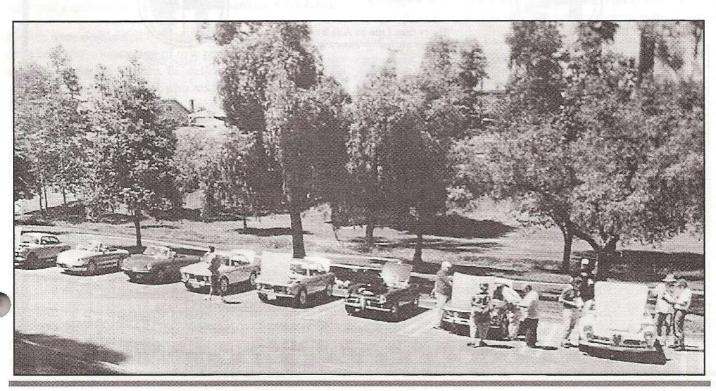
An absolutely stunned Fred Firschen accepted the blue ribbon in the Closed class in his immaculate '73 GTV and

took Best of Show with 245.5 points out of a total of 250. People's Choice went to Michele Iuvara in a very trick '74 GTV that more than a few fans wanted to take for a quick spin.

Thank you to all who attended, shared their cars and especially to those who volunteered your time to make this event go so well. The only possible thing missing was you! Your last chance is just around the corner and right in your back yard on November 7 when we will hold the final club concours for the year as part of the 'Best of France & Italy Show' at Woodley Park.

Some of you have asked me to address some of your questions regarding practical interior maintenance and wheel detailing and some of you want the skinny on how to get more points with the judges... I'll touch on that and tell you about a new product I am using next time. Stay tuned next month for more tips and tricks on preparing your car and keeping it clean.

Email me your questions on car preparation and how to participate in a car show at ubugdug@netzero.net.



Alfacionada - July 2004

Wine Tour 2004 to Santa Maria / Paso Robles

Well it is time to start making plans for Wine Tour 2004. It is only 3 ½ months away till November 13 and 14.

We're headed back up north to tour the Paso Robles area. We were up there in May and you wouldn't believe how many new wineries have popped up since we were there in 2001.

The Historic Santa Maria Inn will be our headquarters again. We have a block of rooms reserved at a pretty good discount. Mary and I will be there on Friday night so we will be ready.

I see that is about 140 miles from the 101/405 freeways in Encino so we all should start planning for a short workday on Friday Nov. 12. The hotel's Wine Cellar bar closes at 9 pm but when we take it over we can usually persuade them to keep it open for us on Friday night.

Reservations are \$79 a night for the older part of the Inn (this is where Mary and I stay) or \$99 a night for the "normal" section. Phone (800) 462-4276 and remind them you are with the Alfa Club.

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Buttonwillow Time Trial, Race, and Enduro

By Doug Bender, photos by Gene Brown, Art Russell, Sheila Kutkus, and Mike McKibbin/Robert Rhodes/ Marcia Rhodes/Tim Fibrow.

AROSC's Buttonwillow time trial went very well. The weather was not quite as hot as last year, we had a nice (if somewhat sparse) Enduro Saturday afternoon, and the usual array of time trials and sprint races.



Class winners Fred Hamilton and Art Russell prove that age and experience can win over youth and exuberance

Entries were dominated by familiar faces this time, with a scattering of new people showing up for the Enduro. In particular I see some names on the list who made their first contact with us at Laguna Seca and are now joining us at Buttonwillow. In Alfa Time Trialing, Marc Ashton won the Class B Time Trial in his turbocharged Junior Z in a very fast 2:06 (it might be the only Junior Z so modified in North America). My good friend and race buddy Art Russell took a well-deserved first in Class Cagainst some stiff opposition, just pipping Jim Ferris and Scott Miller. Scott Baysinger took Class D, beating out former AROSC President Paul Blankenship and his Alfetta in a rare appearance. Former AROSC Website Director Brendan O'Brien beat his dad for Class E in a very nice time of 2:19, both

driving in a nicely prepared Giulia Ti. Current AROSC President Norm Silverman greatly improved his time. In the non-Alfa classes the winners of Classes L, M, N, and O were all racing against the clock trying to beat 2:00 flat, but no one quite made it. Top time of the day was Claus Groth in Class N. Rob Schwabel won Class P in one of my favorite cars, a Datsun 510. And 90-year-old Fred Hamilton took a well-deserved win in Class P in a very respectable 2:26 in his Buick Regal.

Let's jump over to the Alfa Cup. Richard Beard won the top class (ABZ) with his fully-prepared GTV race car, followed by Marco Ventura in his GTV-6, now with a 4cam V6 from an Alfa 164Q (Phyllis' old car). It would have been interesting to see how Larry Dickman did against this competition in his well-prepared GTV-6 but he didn't make it to the Alfa Cup race. Peter Kemos was third overall, winning Class C, followed by Dirk Stoehr (Class D/E Giulia Super "police car") and Uwe Backer (Class C GTV) in a close battle.

In its second year, the AROSC Enduro went off very well, and ran very smoothly. There was of course quite a bit of drama, mostly associated with keeping the cars running for the full two hours plus. Bruce Colby's car had ignition problems just past the halfway point and barely ran, so after Brad Gray's stint Bruce waited patiently in the car to

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Time Trial #3 Buttonwillow May 30, 2004

	No.	Driver	Car	<u>Best</u>	Lap1	Lap2	Lap3	Lap4	Lap5	
Clas	sB									
1	70	Ashton, Marc (2)	JrZ	2:06.820	2:08.002	2:08.672	2:08.263	2:08.756	2:06.820	
2	20	Backer, Uwe	GTV	2:10.890	2:11.296	2:10.890	2:11.799	2:11.663	2:11.532	
3	4	Vasquez, Hector	GTV	2:18.399	2:19.858	2:19.632	2:19.511	2:18.399	2:19.594	
Clas	s C									
1	84	Russell, Arthur	GTV	2:12.244	2:13.505	2:13.258	2:12.244	2:12.574		
2	76	Ferris, Jim	Alfetta	2:12.279	2:12.279					
3	95	Miller, Scott	GTV	2:12.523	2:13.464	2:12.523	2:12.603	2:21.574	2:12.957	
4	12	Burgoon, David	GTV	2:14.029	2:14.296	2:16.164	2:15.344	2:14.324	2:14.029	
5	51	MacManus, Kevin	GTV6	2:19.495	2:21.875	2:20.920	2:19.495	2:20.181		
6	1	Kunedt, Peter	GTV6	2:26.816	2:31.889	2:29.796	2:28.417	2:29.381	2:26.816	
Clas	s D									
1	27	Baysinger, Scott	GTV6	2:17.201	2:19.673	2:18.720	2:25.524	2:33.876	2:17.201	
2	25	Blankenship, Paul	Alfetta	2:20.057	2:20.786	2:20.866	2:20.057	2:28.048		
3	77	Troian, Gianni	Milano Verde	2:26.471	2:26.609	2:26.471	2:28.446	2:29.637		
Clas										
1		O'Brien, Brendan	Giulia TI	2:19.667	2:22.363	2:21.929	2:20.773	2:19.667	2:19.965	
2		O'Brien, Steve	Giulia TI	2:26.543	2:29.221	2:29.526	5:15.359	2:26.543		
Clas										
1	105	Silverman, Norm	Giulia TI	2:37.805	2:42.139	2:41.729	2:39.265	2:37.805	2:38.885	
Clas										
1	90	Foye, Kevin (3)	Camaro	2:03.244	2:07.965	2:03.658	2:05.734	2:03.244		
2	38	Rust, Wally	Corvette Z	2:03.881	2:04.274	2:07.549	2:03.881			
3	86	Nizon, Boris	Camaro Z28	2:31.644	2:35.700	2:31.644	2:33.259	2:35.512	2:33.088	1
	s M	THEON, DONE	ournary							
1	62	Poulin, Robert	МЗ	2:00.223	2:00.223	2:10.205	2:45.644	2:08.464	2:02.081	
2	117	Rogers, Matthew	M3	2:03.877	2:06.716	2:04.719	2:04.573	2:03.877	2:03.960	
3	622	Poulin, Matt	M3	2:03.912	2:11.187	2:03.912	2.0 1.07 0	2.00.07	2.00.000	
4	31	Wang, Victor	Mustang	2:06.587	2:16.348	2:06.587	2:13.823	2:07.507		
5	35	Kelly, Albert	Corvette Z	2:10.323	2:14.086	2:12.444	2:11.229	2:10.323	2:12.788	
Clas		Relly, Albert	COIVORCE	2.10.020	2.14.000	2.12.111	2.11.220	21101020	LIILIIOO	
1	218	Groth, Claus (1)	944T	2:00.096	2:01.247	2:02.200	2:00.096	2:02.268	2:02.549	
2	91	McKibbin, Mitchell	Mustang	2:05.938	2:07.114	2:06.968	2:05.938	2.02.200	2.02.010	
3	9	McKibbin, Mike	Mustang SV	2:07.376	2:10.967	2:07.667	2:07.376	2:07.552		
4	3	DeLaMare, Rob	Miata	2:12.656	2:12.889	2:12.659	2:13.135	2:13.080	2:12.656	
				2.12.000	2.12.009	2.12.009	2.13.133	2.13.000	2.12.000	
5 Class	111 ss O	Victoria, Edward	Carrera							
		Stoehr, Hans (2)	911SC	2:00.675	2:01.794	2:01.577	2:03.345	2:29.171	2:00.675	
1	5		Golf	2:07.047	2:07.047	2:07.506	2:07.557	2:07.428	2:07.315	
2	805	McNall, Todd	M3		2:09.467	2:09.552	2.07.337	2.07.420	2.07.313	
3	22	Heesacker, Greg		2:09.467 2:11.353			2.12.271	2:11.353	2:11.705	
4	2	Alter, Mark	Corvette		2:13.656	2:12.514	2:13.371	2:15.872	2:34.556	
5	60	Wagner, Donald	Mustang	2:13.455	2:13.455	2:14.933	2:25.890		2:21.224	
6	53	Easterman, Mike	Mustang	2:20.784	2:26.319	2:22.657	2:22.532	2:20.784	2.21.224	
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1	510	Schwabel, Rob	510	2:12.176	2:13.213	2:12.176	2:12.777	2:13.301	2:12.231	
2	57	O'Neal, Pat	Miata	2:14.480	2:15.559	2:15.487	2:15.841	2:42.756	2:14.480	
3	287	Bullum, Tomo	MR2 turbo	2:17.613	2:17.613	2:19.725	2:18.218	0.40.000	0.40.000	1
4	93	Kutkus, M.J.	SLK230	2:18.094	2:18.533	2:18.094	2:18.270	2:18.923	2:18.680	-
5	32	Agraan, Mike	330ci	2:18.965	2:22.540	2:20.504	2:22.573	2:22.690	2:18.965	
6	125	Adler, Davidson	Supra	2:19.912	2:22.257	2:20.712	2:20.219	2:24.702	2:19.912	
7	55	Hwang, Soon	LS300	2:23.127	2:25.970	2:27.328	2:24.805	2:23.127	2:25.462	
8	69	Cairns, Chris	Mustang	2:25.105	2:26.413	2:26.852	2:25.105	2:27.631		

Clas	ss Q								
1	81	Hamilton, Fred	Regal GS	2:26.540	2:28.559	2:27.163	2:26.540	2:27.075	2:27.746
_ 2	119	Petreas, Andrew	X1/9	2:39.968	2:39.968	5:19.507			
3	78	Petreas, Andrew Herman, James	RX7	2:40.904	2:42.492	2:40.904	2:42.216	2:43.135	

Notes

(1)Fastest Time of the Day

(2)New Class Record

(3)New Class Record (First time class has run at Buttonwillow)

Enduro, Buttonwillow, May 29, 2004

Position	In Class	Class	Drivers	Car	No.	<u>Laps</u>
1	1	L	Glenn Bjorkman	Formula Mazda	30	74
2	1	K	Steve Hamilton & Paul Ellis	Lola	61	69
3	1	N	Michael Marshall	911	63	68
4	1	0	Paul Barnes	911	711	65
5	1	ABZ	Larry Dickman & Peter Kimos	GTV6	58	65
6	4	Р	Steve Luftman & Tony Adamowitz	MR2	10	63
7	2	N	Rob Rhodes, Mitch McKibben & Mike McKibben	Mustang	91	62
8	2	Р	Seung Chung	Super 7	265	55
9	2	0	Emilio Valsecchi	Golf	805	49
10	3	Р	David Burgoon, Terry Watson & Terry Manchester	Super7	87	41
11	1	C	Bruce Colby & Brad Gray	GTV	89	38
12	4	Р	Terry Major	MR2	37	37
13	2	ABZ	Richard Beard	GTV	20	20
DNF	2	1	John Dearing	Viper	61	61
DNF	3	N	Dennis Fibrow	RX7	1	1

Non-Alfa Race, Buttonwillow, May 30, 2004

Position	In Class	Class	Driver	Car	No.
1	1	L	Luc Noel	Mustang	19
2	1	K	Cort Flinchbaugh	SP20	171
3	1	N	Michael Marshall	911	63
4	2	L	Gavin Gear	Viper	17
5	2	N	Iain Stobie	911	238
6	1	М	Chris Pedersen	911S	205
7	3	N	John Reitman	E30/M3	96
8	1	P	Frank Cervetto	GTI	41
9	4	N	Michael Barring	Carr	771
10	1	0	Craig Hillskemper	МЗ	154
11	2	0	Emilio Vlasecchi	Golf	805
12	3	0	Paul Barnes	911	711
13	4	0	Vince Rinner	Mustang	411
14	2	Р	Steve Luftman	MR2	10
15	5	N	Rob Rhodes	Mustang	91
16	5	0	Danny Choe	Civic	172
17	2	K	Ken Adelberg	CSR	29

Alfa Cup Race, Buttonwillow, May 30, 2004

Position	In Class	Class	Driver	Car	No.
1	1	ABZ	Richard Beard	GTV	181
2	2	ABZ	Marco Ventura	GTV6	144
2	1	С	Peter Kemos	GTV	73
2	1	DE	Dirk Stoehr	Guilia	79
2	1	ABZ	Uwe Backer	GTV	20
2	2	C	Scott Miller	GTV	95
2	3	C	David Burgoon	GTV	12

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Uwe's day off? Working on Scott Miller's GTV.

go out for the last laps so that he'd get credit for running at the end. The Larry Dickman/Peter Kemos car ran flawlessly (the only Alfa to do so), while Richard Beard had problems and finished behind even Bruce Colby/Brad Gray. Dennis Fibrow's RX7 blew its transmission in the first lap. Several other cars had problems, notably the Super 7s. If you want to learn how well prepared your car is, enter it in the AROSC Enduro!

I wasn't there to see the non-Alfa race, so I will let those results stand on their own.

Our all-volunteer organization once again kept the weekend running in a most professional manner. Time Trial and Race Directors Greg Nelson and Dennis Fibrow very crisply kept things right on schedule. Terry Watson ran Registration in his usual professional way; Paul Blankenship stepped up to teaching duties; Paul Ellis ran Tech Inspection. Vince Rinner got results out most expediently. Sheila Kutkus set up a nice barbecue at the track.

Coming up soon we have a time trial at Las Vegas on Labor Day weekend. This Vegas time trial should be especially fun; we are inviting several other clubs, calling it the "AROSC Invitational," and we will have a drawing for number of very valuable prizes (Eibach springs, track days, etc etc.). A week after that we have a Driving School at Streets of Willow. Come to either or both, we will have a great time!



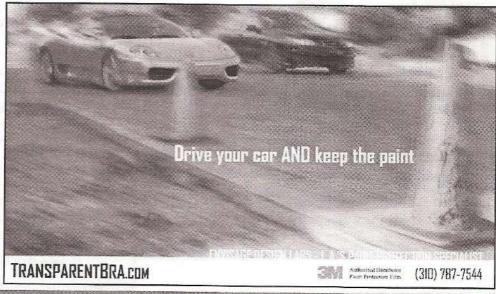
The Viper has another pit stop for fuel in the Enduro.

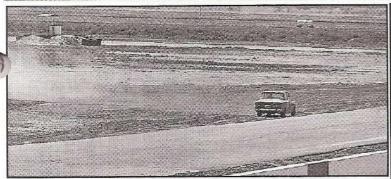


The wives take a breather in the shade.



Enduro winner Glenn Bjorkman in his Formula Mazda





Il Presidente faces the wrong way after a big OOPS!



Timing Chair Vince Rinner's Mustang.



Waiting for a pit stop -- where is he?



Benjamin Russell, the 3rd generation!

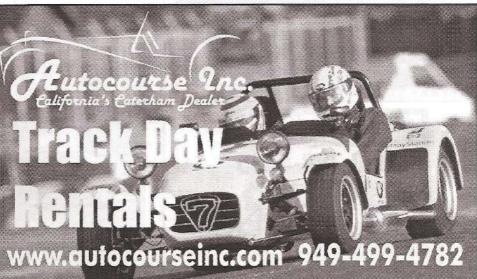


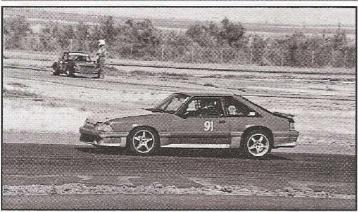


Dirk Stoehr's stable, with 'new' Alfa Giulia SZ.



Luc Noel celebrates his win in the highly modified Mustang.

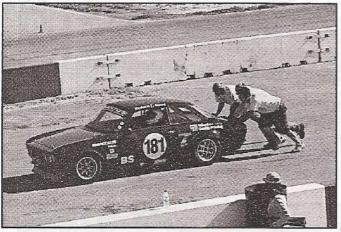




The McKibbin's Mustang at speed in the Enduro.



Marco Ventura's modified GTV-6 powered by 164Q,



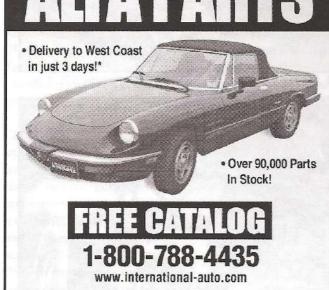
Richard Beard's fast Alfa needs additional power.



Mark Ashton's winning Junior Z leads Paul Blankenship and 'Teddy'.



Uwe Backer's GTV sports sharp new fender flairs.



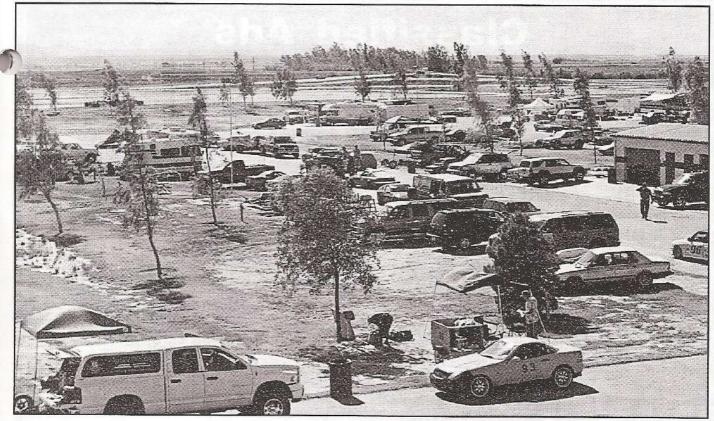
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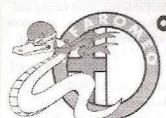
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January	February	March	April	
 7 AROSC Board Meeting 25 AROSC Annual Meeting and Luncheon at Hanks Bistro, Lawndale 31-1 Time Trial - Willow Springs 	 Time Trial - Willow Springs AROSC Board Meeting General Meeting - 8pm, Culver City Concours @ Pepperdine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

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