

Meeting Information

General Meetings are usually held the last Friday or Saturday of each month at various locations. Check the Calendar information on the outside back cover for an overview of the year, and the Previews section on Page 4 for details of events planned for the near future.

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This Month's Cover

Since we had no pictures of Alfas submitted this month, the cover picture is another of Louis Cayafas' drawings, this one the 1960 Giulietta SZ Series 1 coupe with an aluminum Zagato body. Only 217 Series 1 and 2 cars were built.

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2007 AROSC Previews -- *An Outline of Coming Events*

October 13-14 – Time Trial and Race, Willow Springs

This is our last competition event of the year, at our "home" track, so don't miss it. We don't have next year's schedule, so can't say how long you will have to wait for the next event. For info, contact Bruce Colby; for entry form contact Phyllis Gaylard -- see the contact info on page 3.

October 27 – General Meeting and Tour, 11 AM

We will tour the Ray Sherr Collection of fine Alfas and other beauties in Westlake Village, followed by lunch at a nearby Brazilian/Italian restaurant. See page 20 for details.

DON'T MISS:
Sherr Collection - Oct 27, 11AM
followed by Meeting & Lunch
Best of France & Italy Car Show
Nov 4, 9AM - Woodley Park

November 4 – Concours at Woodley Park, 9 AM

Join us for one of the largest gatherings of Alfas in the country at the Best of France & Italy Car Show. We will have our third Concours on this lovely park site - bring a picnic lunch and spend the day! See pages 18-19 for details

November 7—Board Meeting at Luigi's, 7:30 PM

November 17 – General Meeting, Elections, and White Turkey Auction, 1:00 PM

We will visit the Automobile Driving Museum in El Segundo for our annual meeting, which includes the election of AROSC officers for 2008 and the White Turkey Auction -- bring your auctionables and/or money. Also plan to spend some time touring this unique collection. See page 21 for details.

November 23-25 – Wine Tour

We will tour the Santa Inez Valley of Santa Barbara County for some great roads, great wines, and our usual picnic and commradery. Gene Brown's daughter Margi will again provide the tour with her usual flair. It's time to make hotel reservations and start the wish list of wines to buy for gifts or to stock up your collection. See the details on pages 8 & 9.

December 2 – Competition Board Meeting

The annual meeting of the Competition Board is planned for Art Russell's home on Sunday, December 2. All interested persons are welcome. Contact Bruce Colby for details of time and location at competition@arosc.org

December 8– Holiday Party @ Kutkus', Noon to 5PM

We will have our annual holiday pot luck at the Kutkus' party room in Redondo Beach. There will be barbequed meats by MJ, Sheila will prepare something special, and we will bring pot luck side dishes, salads, and desserts to complete the menu. Don't miss it! See the flyer on page 16 and be sure to RSVP to Sheila

December 9 – Board Meeting, old & new, at Kutkus', 11AM

The new and old board will meet for selection of officers and committee chairs as well as a planning session for 2008. All members with ideas for events or who want to volunteer for a committee are welcome to attend. We will also be finishing off any left-overs from the Holiday Party the day before.

January 2 (?) -- Board Meeting at Luigi's, 7:30 PM

January 27 -- Annual Awards Meeting, Delzano's, Redondo Beach

We have made reservations at this restaurant in Redondo Beach for a private room and buffet lunch. We will award our year-end trophies for all competition categories and classes, and introduce the new board of directors and officers.

Cadillac has a great new commercial on TV for the 2008 CTS. After extolling the virtues of such a vehicle, they ask "... **the real question is: when you turn on your car, does it return the favor?**" They get it! That's why most of us drive Alfas!

View from the Top -- *Mostly Ramblings of Il Presidente!*

Our October General Meeting will jump start us into the holiday season. We have been invited to visit the great private collection of Ray Scherr (see page 20). This collection of some of the most exclusive and exotic cars in the world features one of the most valuable 8C2900 Alfa Romeo's ever built, a Dietrich-Bodied Packard, one of only 4 specially-colored Mercedes Gullwings, and numerous trophy winners from Pebble Beach, Amelia Island, Palos Verdes, the Art Institute, etc., etc. This 11 AM gathering on Saturday, October 27th will be followed by a reasonably priced Italian lunch nearby. **This can literally be a possible once-in-a-lifetime time adventure.**

Into November with our annual meeting and greeting at the Woodley Park "Best of France and Italy" car show (see pages 18-19). This will also be the last AROSC Concorso for the year. The competition has been extraordinary and points for year end awards are VERY close. This year we are planning to have an AROSC hospitality booth and look forward to greeting new members and exciting our current members with our upcoming activity plans.

Trying to stay with our policy of inclusiveness, there should be something for everyone.

If you happen to discover that there is nothing for you, don't complain – run for election to the Board of Directors. Which, by the way will be held on Saturday, November 18th at the Automobile Driving Museum (www.automobiledrivingmuseum.org) 610 Lairport Street, El Segundo, CA 90245 (see page 21)

You don't have to be a member of the Board of Directors to offer ideas, suggestions or (perish the thought) actually organize an event that YOU would also attend and enjoy, but it would be nice to have you join us for our monthly Italian dinners (and incidental Board meeting) at Luigi's in Hawthorne the first Wednesday of each month.

Along with the annual election we will have our traditional empty your garage "White Turkey/ Elephant Sale" and a new Museum to add to our listing of places to visit.

Contrary to popular opinion, if you are a person of extraordinary ethical and moral values you would still be welcomed to the Board and may, without fear of ridicule, eschew the outrageous salary, graft, corruption, and rampant cronyism, and actually have your ideas welcomed and acted upon.

Attendance at this meeting used to be the surest way to avoid being nominated and elected to the Board of Directors – unless your significant other nominates you from the floor -- but times they are a changin'. Actually being a BoD member is not a bad job. You get to have dinner out with some friends once a month, plan an events calendar that avoids conflicts with your schedule, and you get to be the selector of volunteers as opposed to being the selectee.

Things don't stop or even slow down after the November 18th General Meeting. The following week it is time to celebrate Thanksgiving and then head off on our Thanksgiving weekend wine tour (see pages 8-9). Margi Brown has done another exceptional job of organizing a fabulous Central Coast adventure in tasting (wine & food).

This great adventure is followed in short order by the Competition

Board meeting on Dec. 2nd (if you're involved, or want to be involved), the Holiday Party at the Redondo Beach home of Sheila and M J Kutkus Dec. 9th (in which you should be involved), and the BoD meeting Dec. 10th (which you will be involved in if you missed or slept through the November elections at the General Meeting), the Central Coast Alfa Chapter Holiday Party in the Santa Barbara Area (great party people) and the Christmas and Hanukah holidays. Whew.

Just a few words about the season of giving: the Village Coffee Roaster (www.villagecoffeeroaster.com) is hosting their third annual "Toys for Tots Exotic Car Show" on December 2. Last year well over 500 interesting and exotic cars emerged from the hills of Calabasas and environs providing toys for the less fortunate and great joy and pleasure for the givers. More in the next issue or check their web site. It is possible (for early risers only) to make this event, spend a couple of hours and still be on time for the Competition Board meeting.

Keep the wheel side down.

Norman, Rex

AROSC Annual Wine Tour

Santa Ynez Valley

It's that time again! The Alfa Romeo Owner's Club of Southern California's Annual Wine Tour in the Santa Ynez Valley is set for November 23 - 25th.

Located to the north of Santa Barbara and 25 miles south of Santa Maria, the Santa Ynez Valley is intriguingly arrayed east-to-west. Approximately thirty miles long, the Santa Ynez Valley has three distinct micro-climates: in the western reaches of the

Valley is the recently designated Santa Rita Hills AVA. Perhaps the coolest growing region in California, the Santa Rita Hills AVA is rapidly developing an image for exceptional Chardonnay and Pinot Noir.

About twenty miles to the east of the Pacific Ocean, the central Santa Ynez Valley is considerably warmer, and appropriate for Bordeaux white and red varieties as well as Syrah.

In short, this year looks to be one of the most diverse experiences we have had and as always, the road that leads to these amazing vineyards will be the true adventure.

Special thanks to the folks at Best Western - Pea Soup Andersen's, as they have reserved a section in the front of the hotel for our group. Look for the "AROSC Reserved" signs and grab yourself a VIP spot.

For those of you joining us on Friday evening, we'll be meeting in the Gazebo area located in the pool area of the Inn at 8pm. We'll have your Welcome Packet, some tour maps, and pictures from last year!

All others coming up on Saturday morning can meet us in the hotel lobby at 9am, where we'll gather to go for breakfast. In case you miss this, be sure to catch us in the front parking lot at 10am, as we'll be heading out to our first vineyard then.

The selection of vineyards is still under way and your personal Tour Director will be heading north this month to test out his Montreal on the winding roads and stop in for a few pre-wine tour tastings.

The cost, if any, at each vineyard does vary and a pricelist will go out in the next E-blast. Generally the prices range from ~ \$5-\$7 per person at each vineyard.



"One of the best wine-tasting experiences I've ever had and absolutely one I'd never miss!"

As with last year, we'll be having a few fun games, as well as the ever-popular "Most Impressive Lunch" contest. For those of you who have been on this tour before, welcome back! And those of you that are joining us for the first time...welcome and we're sure it will be a memorable event.

Schedule of Events:

Friday, 11/23

Arrival for most at the Best Western - Pea Soup Andersen's. This is a free night, so enjoy yourself by getting lots of rest or come join us in the Gazebo, located in the pool area @ 8pm.

Saturday, 11/24

9am: Join us for breakfast.
10am: Leave from the hotel for

the first vineyard.

11:15am: Speed off to the 2nd vineyard.

12: 15pm: Venture on to the 3rd vineyard and enjoy some lunch together...don't forget about the prize for the most impressive meal!

2pm: Head towards our 4th and 5th vineyards, which are located at the same spot.

3pm: Race to our 6th vineyard down the road.

4pm: Mosey on down to our 7th vineyard.

4:45pm: Travel back to the hotel to freshen up.

6:15pm: Meet downstairs and leave for our exquisite dinner at AJ Spurs.

Sunday, 11/25

Enjoy the beautiful trip home at your own leisure. A number of us will be having breakfast across the street at 9am, so feel free to join us and share stories!

For Hotel Reservations, please call:



Best Western Pea Soup Andersens
51 E. Hwy 246, Buettton, CA. 93427
Local (805) 688-3216- Fax (805) 688-9767
Toll-Free (800) Pea-Soup

Room Rates: \$116/nt (1 King/2 Queens)


Please mention the Alfa Romeo Owners of Southern California in order to receive your discounted rate.

National AROC Seeks Candidates for Board of Directors

Are you interested in serving on the national AROC Board? We would like to have representation at the national level: perhaps then we wouldn't have 3 national conventions in a row scheduled for the middle of the country! The only requirement is to be a member, no prior service is needed. The term of office is two years, and you would need to attend 2 national conventions, at the end of each of those years. Attending the convention at the beginning of your term is advised as well. Although serving on the Board does not pay, nor subsidize attendance at the conventions, there are tax deductions for required attendance. Attending the conventions is actually a plus, since you meet lots of great Alfa people, see different parts of the country, and can participate in tours, rallies, time trials, concours, and other events, even if you have a rental car.

If this appeals to you, let your AROSC board know and we will provide a nomination. AROC needs a short (250 word max) biography and candidate statement for publication in the *Alfa Owner*. The deadline for submittal is January 15, 2008, so start considering this prospect.

If you would rather do some local participation, AROSC is also seeking candidates for its Board of Directors. Our election will be held November 17, so come to that meeting, and/or contact an AROSC Board member to get on our ballot.

	
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September Meeting -- Nethercutt Tour

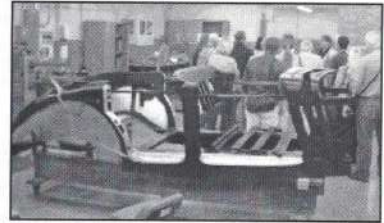
Photos by Paul Dexler, Gene Brown, MJ Kutkus, Jim Barrett, and Phyllis Gaylard.



Our tour guide Skip Marchetti describes the unique silk moire interior of the Ruxton.



The beautiful Ruxton: note the extra-low roofline.

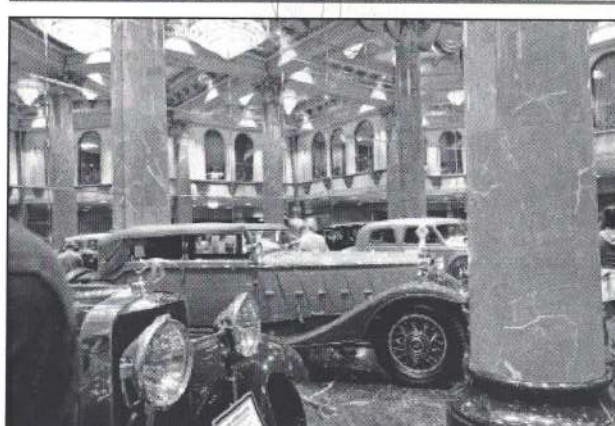


The new wood frame for the '34 Packard project car.

Bruce Meyer's 1960
LeMans Class winning
Corvette.



All aboard for the tour of the train -- want to drive it? Talk about a short track!



The beautiful marble "Grand Salon" of the Nethercutt, the original car display area before they built the new one across the street.

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An interesting contrast between the Pierce Arrow and Ferrari.



Ribbons from Pebble Beach '07



Need a spare part for a restoration? They must have one of everything for all old cars!



The group listens to the Popper music machine.

Post-Tour Party at Villa Silverman



Happy diners enjoyed the mild weather in Norm's backyard.



Gene blows out the candles on his special birthday cake.



Some cake design! What a big number on it!

Alfa Club Holiday Party

Saturday, Dec 8th
Noon - 5:00 pm

Hosted by:
M.J. & Sheila Kutkus
2304 Curtis Ave
Redondo Beach, CA

South of Manhattan Beach Blvd and west of
Inglewood Ave in north Redondo.
Take the 405 to Inglewood Ave off ramp,
south 1 mile to Curtis Ave, turn right,
continue 1/2 mile to 2304. Parking allowed
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Holiday Food!

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Tandoori-Style Chicken

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salad or dessert

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RSVP to Sheila (310) 542-3448

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See you at the party!!



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Bonnie the Alfa -- Returns to Bonneville in '08

After missing the August Bonneville Speed Week due to iffy salt conditions, the IAP/Auto Componenti/Besic Motorsports Alfa Romeo Spider owned by Richard Kreines was slated to attend next month's Bonneville World Finals. Alas, the busy lives of all involved with the team conspired to make that trip impossible.

Though disappointed at not making it to Bonneville

this season, the team is already looking forward to returning to the salt flats in 2008 and adding to their already-impressive list of record-setting achievements. Driver/tuner Jim Steck is already planning major upgrades to the engine and aerodynamics, so with another year's worth of work, expect even

more amazing speeds from what is already the World's Fastest Alfa Spider!

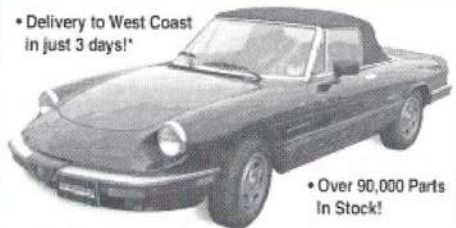
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Signed: _____

Date: _____

Mail Entry and Payment to: **BEST OF FRANCE AND ITALY**
P. O. Box 2299
Toluca Lake, CA 91610-0299

Please make checks payable to: "BEST OF FRANCE AND ITALY"
Please mail by Oct 25, 2007.

Late registration available at the gate.

Last Concours of the Year -- Best of France & Italy Car Show, Sunday November 4

The 'Best of France and Italy' is an incredible show that features cars under 3.0 liters in displacement, encouraging an eclectic mix of etceterenni and exotics. Tina and company put on a great show and it consistently draws a lot of wonderful Alfas. Entry forms are due by October 25th but you can decide to drive in the day of the show and pay your \$15.00 for parking on the grass and a goodie bag.

The Alfa Romeo Owners Club of Southern California will once again host Concours judging at the show. This will be our third and final Concours of the year. A club donation of \$10.00 gets your car judged for awards. The Alfa Romeo marque has been very well represented in the past few years and this year should be no exception. You do not have to enter your car in the Concours, but don't think you have to have a 'show car' in order to enter. We have several classes that accommodate almost anything you drive.

So here's the plan: Clean up your car, pack a picnic and join us on Sunday, November 4, 2007 for a great time. This is always a wonderful opportunity to meet up with all of your Alfa, Lancia, Fiat and French car friends. Plus you may find that perfect item at the Swap Meet/Vendor area! Even if you don't have a car to show - come on by. Parking (off the grass) is free and you'll have a great day. Woodley Park is located at the Northwest corner of the 101 and 405 freeways (Burbank Blvd. exit, turn west then north at the first signal past the freeway. The show starts at 9AM.

Entry form and information are available at www.franceanditaly.com

Doug Adler & Stephanie Stacy

October Meeting -- Ray Scherr Collection

11:00 AM October 27, Westlake Village

On **October 27**, we will tour the Ray Scherr collection at 2630 Townsgate Road #B & C, Westlake Village, CA 9136.

This great collection includes the Maharaja's Alfa and the 1938 Alfa 8C2900B Touring Spider that has taken so many trophies, including "Best Foreign Car" and "Peoples's Choice" at the recent Meadowbrook Concours in Detroit. Also on display will be the 1934 Packard 12 Dietrich sedan that took 3rd in its class at Pebble as well as the Nethercutt award for the most elegant closed car and the Classic Car Club of America Trophy. In addition, there is a 1929 Auburn Boat Tail Speedster and some 1950s Detroit Dream Cars. Don't miss it!

We will meet there at **11:00 am**, allowing plenty of time for Southerners to get to the facility. Afterwards, we will go to lunch at Galletto's Bar & Grill nearby at 1:00pm. They feature an imaginative, eclectic mix of 'mouthwatering flavors' from a Brazilian-Italian menu.

Directions:

Take the Ventura Fwy (101) to Westlake Village (between Agoura and Thousand Oaks) and exit onto S. Westlake Village Blvd southwest (turn left if coming from the south, or right if coming from Thousand Oaks). Turn right onto Townsgate Road, about 1/4 mile from the freeway. Proceed about a quarter-mile to the 2630 building on the right, and to unit B/C.

Galletto's Bar & Grill
982 South Westlake Blvd
Westlake Village, CA 91361
805-449-4300

From Ray Scherr's, take Townsgate Road just past Westlake Blvd. Make an IMMEDIATE RIGHT into the ENTRANCE of WESTLAKE PLAZA. Galletto's is located in the CENTER of the plaza (on the LEFT).

November Meeting – Elections, White Turkey Auction, and more...

Saturday, November 17, 1:00PM

We had planned to meet at Dirk Stoehr's new facility, but Dirk will be out of town, vintage racing in El Salvador. We have found an interesting new venue for this meeting, at the **Automobile Driving Museum in El Segundo**. They have a meeting room upstairs that we will meet in on Saturday afternoon, November 17. You can tour this museum before or after the meeting: they are open from 10am to 4pm. Nominal refreshments will be served at the meeting, but there are places to have lunch not too far away, so look for them before arriving at the museum.

The founder of the Automobile Driving Museum, Stan Zimmerman, believes "cars are a moving art", and he treats them as such. There are 70 cars on display now, from a 1915 Ford Model T to a 1989 Porsche. Some of the more interesting exhibits include one with a body made out of fabric, and a touring car that once carried Eleanor Roosevelt, as well as the 1955 Packard Caribbean convertible that Howard Hughes gave to then wife Jean Peters.

The museum is designed to look like a parking lot with a gift shop resembling a store on Main Street, USA, which sells owners manuals from old Packards to 1978 Pintos.

Automobile Driving Museum
610 Lairport Street
El Segundo
(310) 909-0950 www.automobiledrivingmuseum.org

Take the I-405 to the LAX area, and exit Imperial Hwy west. Go about 1 mile and turn left on Nash Street, then left on Maple Ave (first opportunity) and then a left onto Lairport. This is just east of Sepulveda Blvd, north of Mariposa. Alternatively, the 105 Fwy has an exit at Nash.

Summertime at the Streets

AROSC Driving School, Sept. 1 & 2

By: Mike McKibbin
Photos: Mike McKibbin

At the time trial/race at Willow Springs last January, it was so cold that a Sunday afternoon high of about 35 degrees was greeted by observations that it was finally warming up.

At the streets of Willow Driving School on September 1 and 2, 2007, we came full circle on the weather. The heat was merciless, compounded by the humidity of passing thunderstorms, the highlight of which was the tornado which swept through the area Saturday afternoon. We (race group) were on the skid pad when Beverly Major remarked, "What a strange-looking dust devil." We all soon realized what it was and I ran for my camera.

And then what did we all do, while the funnel cloud danced up and down several miles away? Well, we drove, fast because that is what we were there to do, and you've probably got to be a little nuts to want to jump into a one or two ton projectile and drive it as quick as possible (sometimes in the very close company of others so

inclined; some are a little more nuts than others - Todd McNall and Emilio Velsucci saw the storm raging, and went chasing it in Todd's 4-wheel drive - see the video on Todd's website - www.youtube.com - videos - mcstyle).

But that's why we were there. After all, as this was the AROSC Driving School, and if you love to drive fast, and want to learn more about it, this was the place to be. The weather and all the road closures just made it more interesting. Steve Hamilton gathered his usual fine lineup of very capable instructors, including guest instructor, Davy Jordan, who was busy winning races back when I was in grammar school (a long time ago as we'll see in a bit).

For those in our group who stayed at the track for dinner Saturday night, I took off for pizza, finding the gale force winds had taken out bunches of telephone poles, closed the main roads and eliminated power to everything between the track and the freeway. Seeking information, I brainlessly drove the company car (as of this weekend, retired pretty much exclusively to track use) through some cones to

chat with the CHP guards at the roadblock. One of them quickly noticed the Hoosiers I'd neglected to change and made things a bit uncomfortable by his remarks that the car was "illegal". However, they had a road to guard, and told me to beat it before the Sergeant arrived, and I took the hint.

I was touched by the birthday cake the Fibrows brought me that night. Their daughter, April, picked a nice green one with pink flowers and you can imagine the reaction that got from the multitude of racers sitting around that night. For those



who need to know, I turned 57. As I told anyone who would listen, if you keep doing things you love (like race), it keeps you from getting old, even if you're aging. Witness Fred Hamilton who, by the way, showed up with his new ride, a Dodge Charger with a Hemi (Fred-"Well, you can't get a Charger and put a 4-cylinder in

it"). He puts his foot down in that thing, too.) Go Fred!

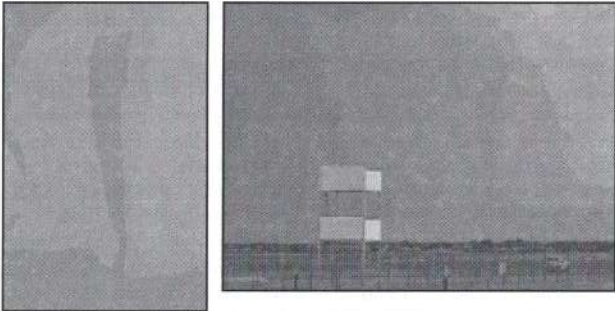
The practice time trial races were well run and pretty much incident-free; I thought we'd all learned a lot, and showed it. During the practice race, I was having a great time slugging it out with Todd, Emilio and brother Mitch (Rob was a ways back in Andrea's MR-2 -- picture that). Then the company car told me it had enough, as the temperature gauge buried itself beyond the red. The School also teaches you to respect the equipment, so I backed off, slowed way down, pulled into the pits, happy and grateful to say there was no damage and I had a great time.

Matt Poulin won the practice race going away; the kid is getting very fast.

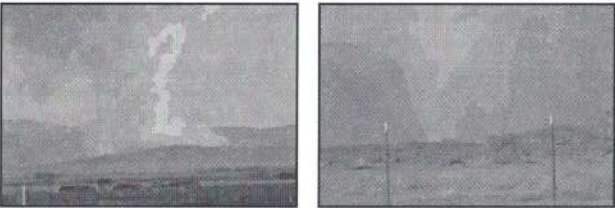
See you in October



Matt Poulin goes fast on track.



Saturday's weather was quite unusual for So Cal -- a tornado hit near the track, and downed lots of power lines in the area.



Mother Nature returned Sunday for a repeat twister, followed by a neat rainbow.



Terry Major runs the skid pad during the tornado episode on Saturday.

A Letter to Our Guest Instructor

Hi Davey and Norma,

Great to have you as Guest Instructor for the Alfa Club School. Norma was a real trooper to hang in there with us. Man it was a little warm. Everyone, student and instructors alike, remarked about you and your "full hands-on" approach to the school. You were also a real trooper out there in the sun...and heat.

Sorry you didn't get in the opportunity to drive the Bob & Matt & Will Poulin BMW M3. I'm sure the offer still stands for another time, if you would like. Their car went into fail safe mode again putting it in the trailer. It certainly said something about what heat can do...

You are always welcomed to be a part of the Alfa Group in the future. I'm sure you will be put on our mailing list for events. Maybe when Scooter comes out as next Guest Instructor, you guys could come out together. Scooter could fly in and we could pick you up in the Alfa Limo of some sort. The Instructor Fee might cover the fuel for his plane.

At the last minute, Bruce Colby made a generous offer for me to

drive his newly-prepared BMW E-30. After thinking about it for "one second", I decided to make a go of it for the last race of the day. The prep on the car was superb, I just couldn't resist. Unfortunately I had just enough time to get a helmet on, sans my driving suit and gloves. Thinking no one would really notice, I proceeded to pick up the rear of the pack along with Steve Hamilton in his sports racer.

I've got to tell you it was a Blast to do the full course counter clockwise. I was having a pretty good go of it traveling through the pack, when ole Steve decided to dive bomb me at the top of the hill, just a little bump to the left rear by the bumper with no damage to the BMW. Steve, however, retired to the pits; no one was shaken by it.

With about a lap to go, it was apparent to the tower that I was driving without proper gear, so I got the Black Flag. Bruce Colby was at the BF station and gave me the good news, and said "Did ya have Fun out there?" I couldn't thank him enough for the opportunity and complemented him on the truly fine job he did preparing the car. This is a Real Fun momentum enduro car; maybe

he will consider me sharing the Bimmer at the Alfa enduro - ButtonWillow.

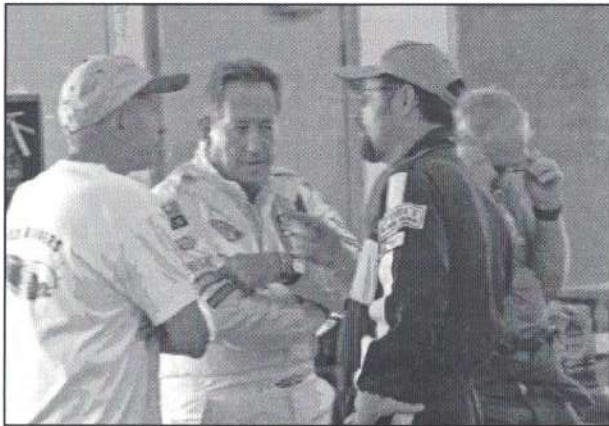
On behalf of the Alfa Club and its many members and participants, we thank you and Norma for weathering it all out. It certainly had its moments with the tornado, rain and 34 broken power lines around the track. This could never happen again in our lifetime.

Glad you got back safe and sound and the home and dogs were all right with the fire. Great that Mother Weather's rain showered down to put out the Big Bear fires. Too bad about the flash floods taking out some roads on your

return. The road out of the track was also closed off with power lines in the middle of the road, crews still working on the mess. On the detour over to RT 14, the mountain showed many other flash flood issues and various fires through out the Mountains.

Steve Hamilton has an Alfa Shirt and Cap that he has ALL the Guest Instructors sign; unfortunately you didn't get to sign it. This is a traditional requirement. Another reason to get you out there again in the near future.

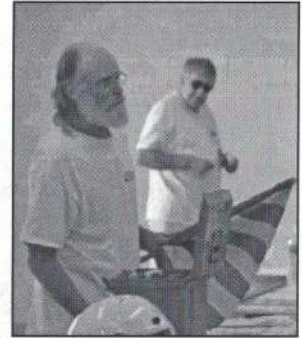
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Tony a2z



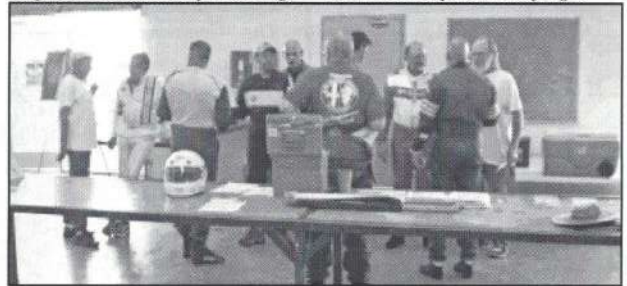
Instructors Davy Jordan, Tony Adamowicz, and Terry Majors confer while Norman Silverman looks on.



Registration Saturday morning.



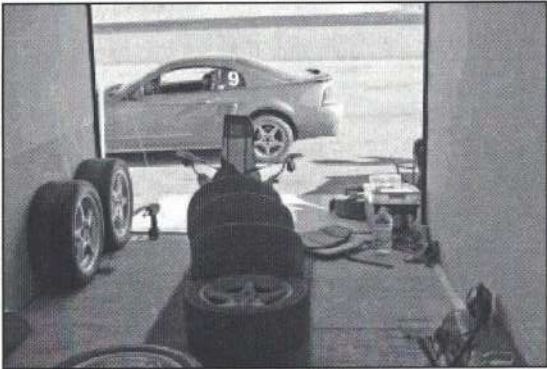
Paul Ellis explains the flags.



The instructors get organized to start class instruction.



The class pays attention to instructors.



Mike McKibbin has a new trailer. The "Company Car" is visible at the entrance.



Danielle Majors tries out the MR2 on the skid pad.



An Audi looks fast.



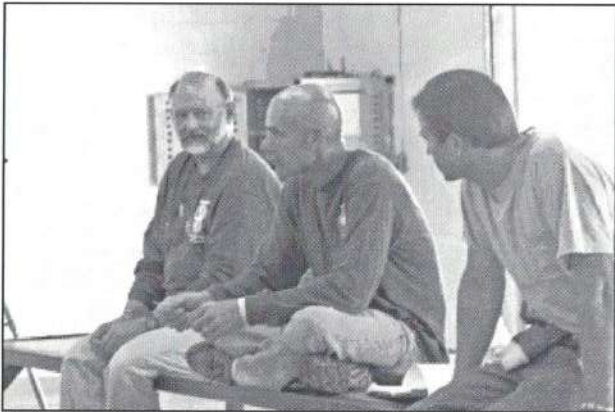
Mustang locks up the breaks, now needs tires!




Lunch is served, thanks to April, Andrea, and Ashley



Hot action -- yes there was an Alfa there!



Instructors Bruce Colby, Phil Guiral, and Chris Mayring get organized before the next class.



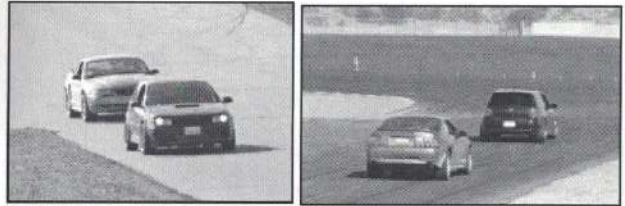
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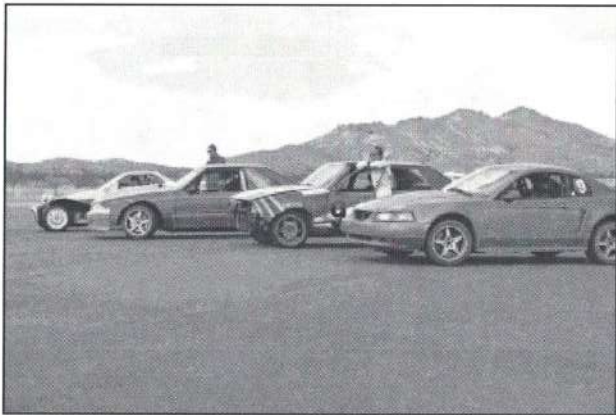
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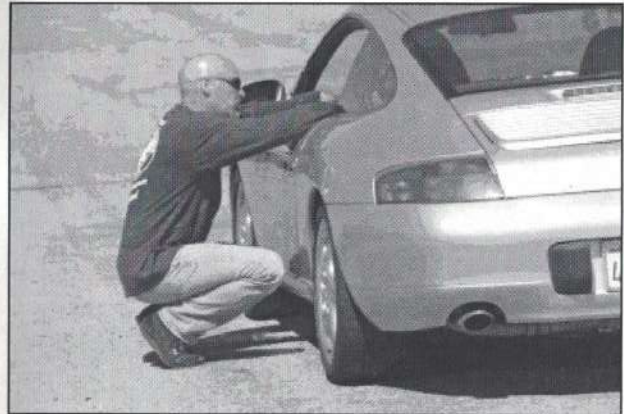
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Mike McKibbin (silver Mustang) had a lengthy duel with Emilio Valsecchi (dark VW), enlivening the race group action.



Some race group cars line up on the skid pad waiting to go.



Steve Hamilton give advice to a Porsche driver.



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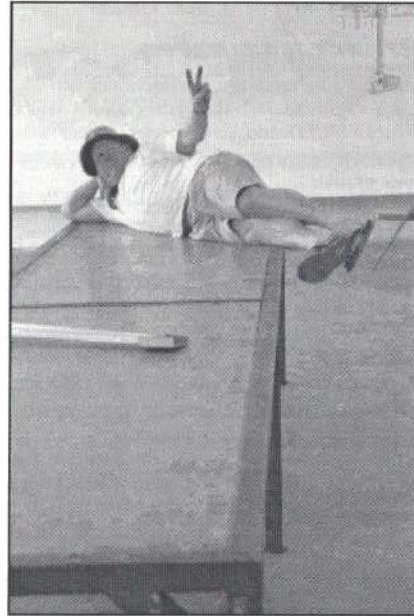
Big Dog runs on track -- same old unpainted hood!



The time trial cars line up for a run on track.



Time trial cars run on course.



Todd McNall is too hot to stand up!

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We elect ten members to the Board of Directors, who choose the officers and committee chairs among themselves. Membership on the Board adds one meeting

per month, which includes dinner—such a deal. We usually meet at a restaurant for food and business.

If you or someone you know would be interested in serving, contact a board member or attend the November meeting to nominate that person from the floor. Here is your chance to help plan and conduct the wide variety of activities that makes this chapter so great. You probably have some new ideas that would be fun for all of us. Don't keep them to yourself, join the Board and get involved.

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Yellow cards are available again from President Norman Silverman. These are a new format, long and narrow and labeled "Citation" which should catch attention. There is also a 'tear-off' bottom for a post card.

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