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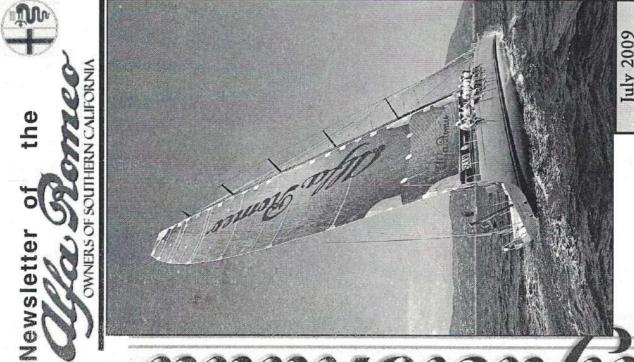
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Huntington Beach

17041 Malta Circle of Southern California Alfa Romeo Owners

Our 2009 Calendar

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10-11 Wine Tour	12-13 Time Trial & Race at	13-16 Concorso Italiano,	@ noimsvno DOAA 91-8
7 Board Meeting @ Luigi	2 Board Meeting @ Luigi's	I Braille Rallye 2007 5 Board Meeting @ Luigi's	Board Meeting @ Luigi's
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June Meeting, HB Concours, uncoming evente and more In This Issue: Alfapalooza,

#### Meeting Information

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

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the monthly general meeting to permit publication in the next month's issue. Please send classified ads, articles, letters, and photographs to the Editor in time to arrive by

#### General Information

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#### This Month's Cover

record time. He is also the Alfa distributor for Australia & New Zealand. See prior to the Transpac 2009 Yacht race to Hawaii, which Neville hopes to run in page 14 for more information. Photo from his Alfa Romeo web site. We were invited to meet Neville Crichton. skipper/owner of the Alfa Romeo II

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### 2009 AROSC Previews --An Outline of Coming Events

July 15-19 - AROC Convention at Portland, OR

See the Alfa Owner for details on the Portland convention.

July 26 - General Meeting and Summer Party at Phyllis', Huntington Beach, Noon

July 15-19, AROC National Convention, Portland OR July 26, Summer Party Aug 13-16, Monterey Historics

We will have our usual Summer cooling-off event in Huntington Beach, with a pot-luck lunch, bocce ball, and lots of conversation. See pg 20.

August I — Braille Rallye

See pages 22-24 for complete info or contact Pat West at nseandwest@socal.rr.com.

August 5 - Board Meeting at Luigi's, 7:30 PM

August 13-16 - Monterey Historics Weekend

See info on page 25 about a new Italian Car show, La Dolce Vita. The Alfa clubs in California recommend this over Concourso Italiano, and the info on page 25 is from an independent source.

August 29 -Drive/Shine/Dine Event, 10:30 AM

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It will soon be time for another fun drive through the hills of Whittier and La Habra. Interesting and challenging roads with a cultural stop and a quest for those who don't mind going the extra step. Trophies will be awarded in many categories, so get your navigator lined up for a fun time, great lunch, and a general meeting. See page 21 for details.

September 2 - Board Meeting at Luigi's, 7:30 PM

September 12-13 Time Trial & Race at Willow Springs

September 13 -- Palos Verdes Concours d'Elegance

The 17th annual PV Concour willbe held at Trump Nat'l Golf Club in Rancho PV. Maserati is the featured marque, while other Italian makes will have their own classes. Our class is for 1946-1974 Alfa Romeos. For more info, contact Ted Lambros, class manager for Alfa at TLambros@gmail.com or check web site PVConcours.com.

September 26 - Nethercutt Museum Tour & General Meeting + Lunch @ Silerman's

October 7 - Board Meeting at Luigi's, 7:30 PM

October 10-11 - Wine Tour - Edna Valley

October 24-25 - Time Trial & Race at Buttonwillow

October 31 - General Meeting TBD

November 1 - Concours at Best of France & Italy Car Show, Woodley Park

November 4—Board Meeting at Luigi's, 7:30 PM

November 21 - General Meeting, Elections, and White Turkey Auction, Dirk Stoehr's facility

December 6 - Competition Board Meeting

December 12- Holiday Party @ Kutkus'

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

Lots of thanks are due for a wonderful June:

Starting with the 24th Annual Huntington Beach Concours. A number of their organizers spoke to me about our own inimitable Phyllis Gaylard's representation of AROSC and her help and support in general. A wonderful day was had by all, with buckets of "Mothers" car products going to our member's winning cars.

Championship F5000 car, which were absence - Tony A2Z and his 1969 driver were conspicuous by their Foreign Car Club. One car and one Davey Jordon and the Riverside legend and AROSC guest instructor palpable. We were joined by racing have a NASCAR road race, was history of Riverside, the first track to Maseratis under one roof, the racing one of the finest collections of the day, Bruce Ward. In addition to us and special thanks to our host of thanks to Doug Magnon for inviting International Raceway museum. Our to a special afternoon at the Riverside On Saturday June 27th, we were treated

There are not enough superlatives to describe the next day. Sunday, June 28th became the first annual "Alfapalooza Day" at Gladstone on Rainbow Pier in Long Beach. Joined by members of AROSD, we lined up around 30 Alfa Romeos on the pier to wish Neville Crichton and his crew of

the Maxi Yacht Alfa Romeo 2 a bon voyage and good luck in setting a new world sailing record for the Trans Pacific race to Honolulu. The car leading to the deck of AR2 was Uwe Backer's newly finished maxi powered AR race car. Touring this carbon fiber yacht was awesome. Too much high tech to write about, but check it out at www.alfaromeo.com.au/maxiyacht/. We have been invited to have a second and third annual "Alfapalooza Day". Next year, I believe it will be an all female regatta and the year after AR2 returns.

Edna Valley and the date is October camaraderie. This year the venue is delightful ocean front resort in memory. 40+ Alfisti gathered at a of Gene Brown (road and Slurpee Brewery), I shudder to think about have 50 for a beer tasting (Stone importantly, the wineries. If we can accommodations, roads and most currently scoping out the of appetizers, good wine and great Cambria for a relaxing Friday evening heights. They arranged and promotec connoisseur) and Margi Brown (party organizers - the father-daughter team resident winos, uh wine tour than Thanksgiving weekend. Our Weekend Wine Tour to a date other changing our traditional Thanksgiving membership comments about Last year we responded to 10<sup>th</sup>−11<sup>th</sup>. Our intrepid team is the most successful wine tour in my person and wine taster) rose to new

how much oil we will lay down on the roads of Edna Valley.

month. Please RSVP so that we will and a confirming phone call to Phyllis Typically we have over 40 people. have adequate chairs and tables. official launch of Auto Overdose from the ocean. . This will also be the it's within cooling breeze distance cul-de-sac with plenty of parking and festive afternoons, Phyllis lives on a who have not attended one of these idea of what to bring. For those few -714-377-6377- will give you some ripe. This is mostly pot (good) luck assured again that the peaches will be Huntington Beach on July 26th. I am Bocce Game at the Gaylard House in our General Meeting, Picnic and in Portland and hope to see you all at and I will be going to the Convention July should be fairly relaxing. Evie

only or Large Print reader. You, the where a special tour has been the Petersen Automotive Museum great picnic and awards ceremony at around 1.5 hours and ends with a various divisions, etc. The course is Highway Patrol, Black & Whites from competition points event) the of the Mini Club (who considers this a had 5 Alfas last year, joining members is the real handicap to winning. We driver, will discover in short order who your navigator will either be a Brailleteenagers. This is a TDS rally and exercise for an exceptional group of Institute, this rally is like a graduation year. Sponsored by the Braille is my most self-satisfying event of the for August 1st. For selfish reasons this This year's Braille Rallye is scheduled

arranged for the competitors. As of this writing they still need drivers. Contact Bruce or Pam West at nseandwest@socal.rr.com and see the info and sign-up sheet on pages 22-24.

some major changes. The result is mentioned in last 2 months d'Elegance parade through Carmel. As the Pebble Beach Concours Of course THE BIG EVENT choices for where to go on Friday, could E-mail John Maclay at Historic Races at Laguna Seca (the and tickets and corral passes for the tasting at West and Maggie Clark's, arranged hotel accommodations, Alfisti. As in years past, Delta Sierra weekend is a highlight for many Ramblings, "The annual Monterey weekend of August 13th -16th starting WEEKEND FOR AUGUST is the 2009." See page 25 for info from an endorse the La Dolce Vita event for ARA and Delta Sierra, have chosen to Dolce Vita event. AROSC, along with Concorso Italiano and the new La events to choose from for Friday: we now have two competing Italian car August 14, 2009 have gone through order deadline had passed, but you dinner at Gino's Restaurant, wine independent source. johnmaclay@aol.com). However, the and the Alfa Romeo Association have for those early morning arrivals, with

Check out more info: www.ladolcevitamontereybay.com

#### .Rules and happenings:

1 – If you plan to go to the Monterey Historics and park in the Alfa corral it is now too late to guarantee corral passes.

## More Il Presidente:

\$25 you receive Soup, Salad, a so she can get a count. We are 3-Members of AROSC are Sierra Club (4713 Lake Drive, Choice of any 1 of 6 (count them 6) has been a complete sell out. For limited to 60 people and every year Silverman at normanev@msn.com PM. Please RSVP to Evelyn Lighthouse Ave in Monterey at 8 Noodle Pasta House at 538 Thursday the 13th at the Loose planning on our fifth annual dinner Carmichael, CA 95608). through James Treadwell, Delta them at the Laurels Inn in Salinas reservations, you can still be get 2-If you have not made

entrees, desert and soft drinks. Old grape juice and fermented hops will be available for a nominal charge.

5 - Normally, on Friday, we stay on at the Concorso for a while after closing and partake of the happy hour arrangements being made by ARA at the Black Horse Golf Course club house.

6-If you are at Laguna Seca on Saturday and have a corral pass, we usually leave around 4PM and caravan to cocktail hours at the home of West and Maggie Clark.

Keep the wheel side down

Norman, Rex



lim Lightfoot sent this photo of the only Alfa seen on his trip to Kuala Lampur:

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# In Memorium - Jim Ashton, Long-Time Member

Jim Ashton, a founding member of ARA as well as a member of our chapter, died in April after a courageous battle with cancer. Those who have attended National AROC Conventions will remember Jim. He was a charming man, always ready to help with any car problem or just socialize, and he brought a beautiful Concours-wining metallic blue 1959 Giulietta Sprint Veloce with over 300,000 miles. He also was known for a wickedly fast blue 1972 Jr. Zagato, often driven by his son Mark on the track—who has run some of our time trials although he lives in NorCal. Jim will be missed.

# Electronic Newsletter –

## E-Mail Newsletter Option

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# June Meeting -- Riverside Int'l Auto Museum

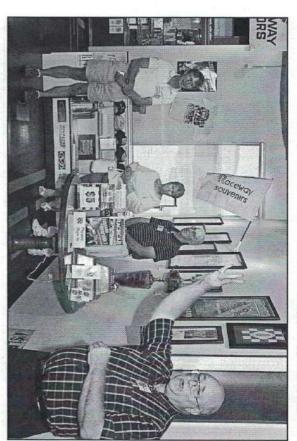
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Mary Blankenship, Adrienne and Randy Harris chat in the bar. Before the tour, we gathered at the Mexicali Bar & Grill for lunch.



Page 10 A goodly group enjoyed a tasty Mexican lunch -- no pizza! Alfacionada - July 2009



from Riverside Int'l Raceway, as well as souveniers to purchase. Bruce Ward led us on a tour of the museum which houses memorabilia



The group looks at thee walls of history.

NASCAR, SCCA, IMSA, as well as local club events like AROSC. sion of the course which was never paved. The track hosted Formula 1, Bruce Ward describes the original plan for the track, including an exten-



A wide variety of cars is on display -- race and street.



up and made the hairs stand up on our arms and necks with the beauti-The club favorite, a new Alfa 8C Competiz; ione. Bruce Ward started it



woven leather luggage, etc. The beautiful interior of the 8C includes woven leather seats, matching

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One of the first Gurney Eagle Indy cars, this one was used to show that these cars could run on a road course (Riverside was the demo) as well as on the oval tracks. And now they do run road and street circuits.



Bruce Ward found and acquired this Lotus 7 which had been raced at Riverside by his father many years earlier.



This monster Maserati was homologated with 500 built so it could be raced. It's very large and has gobs of horsepower for very high speed.



There are a number of Maseratis in residence, of various models and ages.

## First AROSC Concours June 7 at the Huntington Beach Concours d'Elegance

Huntington Beach Concours event. These results are for the club-judged AROSC Concours held within the

Daily Driver Class:	Patrick Moran 84 GTV-6 91 3rd Mike Riehle 59 Giulietta Sprint 72	Jay Makro 66 Giulia Sprint GT 92 2nd, F	Closed Class:  Randy Bent 70 1600S 94 1st, B	Silverman Larry Capalbo 65 Giulia Spider 82 2nd	Open Class: Norman & Evelyn 65 Spider Veloce 88 1st	Name Car Points Awa
1st	3rd	Show 2nd, People's Choice	1st, Best in	2 <sup>nd</sup>	I s	Awards



A lovely lineup of Alfas headed by Vic Galich's Montreal

# Huntington Beach Concours – June 7

didn't get it, contact Phyllis Gaylard and she will try to get it for you. trophies awarded by that organization. If you are listed for a trophy and These results are from the Huntington Beach Concours judges, and

# CLASS 4B Alfa Romeo - Open 1950-1966 - Street

## Larry Capalbo 1965 Alfa Romeo Giulia Spider

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1965 Alfa Romeo Spider Veloce	Alfa Romeo - Open 1950-1966 - Concours

CLASS 4C

Alfa Romeo Open: 1966 to Present - Street

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		Romeo	
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Sprint	al	Street	Veloce
			Series

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CLASS 4E

Alfa Romeo - Closed: 1976 To Present - Street

1982 Alfa Romeo GTV 6

1995 Alfa Romeo 164 Quadrifollio

1984 Alfa Romeo GTV 6

Patrick Moran Phyllis Gaylard Jim & Elyse Barrett

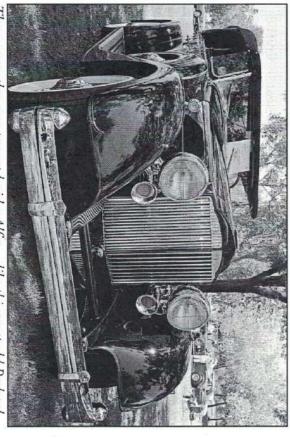


Norm & Evie Silverman collect their first place trophy and a bucket of Mother's Car Care -- but no room for it!

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HB Concours judging, with a bucket of Mothers Car Care products. Driver and finally beating Phyllis Gaylard. She also won a first in the Carrie Adrian loves her Spider, particularly after winning the Daily



There were other cars present besides Alfas -- like this great old Packard.

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The club gathers in the shade of the trees.



unching in the shade! A very pleasant day at the "Beach"



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# AROSC Summer Party & July Meeting It's Time! Summer is here! Let's party! Sunday, July 26 is the date!

It's become a tradition each year to gather in Phyllis Gaylard's Huntington Beach backyard for a cool party. Come and cool off from the inland heat wave!

Phyllis Gaylard's house in Huntington Harbor has plenty of back yard, paved patio, and shade. She still has Jay Wachtel's bocce balls, and the lawn is in good shape, freshly cut the day before. She is located about a mile from the ocean and beaches, up on a hill with a great breeze. There is plenty of street parking and a shopping center (with a new Trader Joe's Market!) one block away if the street fills up.

We will again have a potluck lunch, and request that attendees bring something to share that we can nosh, snack, or munch upon. We suggest primarily home-prepared dishes, cold or room temperature. We can heat up some things in the oven or microwave, but want to limit the stove-top cooking to just a few items. Wines are also always welcome!

As in the past, there will be no charge for this event. However, we ask that all attendees bring a food dish to share. If you can't cook or bring food, you can make a \$5 donation per person and Phyllis will buy what is needed to complete the menu. In order for this to work, you must call or **E-mail an RSVP before party day.** Suggested food categories include but are not restricted to: antipasto, appetizers, salads, sandwich makings, casseroles, pasta dishes, or anything appealing as luncheon fare. Just tell Phyllis what it is so she can coordinate and provide a complete menu.

DATE: Sunday, July 26, 2006

HERE: 17041 Malta Circle,

Huntington Beach, 92649
(Thomas Bros. Map pg 857)

(Thomas Bros. Map pg 857 C1)
RSVP: to Phyllis by Friday, July 24 at (714) 377-6377, or e-mail to

AROSCeditor@aol.com

TIME: Noon to 4:00 PM or???

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# August Meeting - Drive, Shine (?), Dine

Save the date, Saturday, August 29! Almost the end of summer, but it's not the end of driving fun with your Alfa Romeo club. Join us again for a fun ride thru the inland hills and curves of Whittier/LaHabra.

The start of the event will be from Pico Park on Beverly Blvd., about a ¼ mile west of the 605 FWY-Beverly Blvd. exit. Park entrance is on your left. After entering the park (on its west end) make an immediate left again, follow the road to the parking area and the start of the event. First car is off at 10:30 AM sharp. There will be an interesting stop at the halfway point. Lunch and a general meeting will be at a local Italian Restaurant.

WAIT!!! Not so fast. Before lunch we will be having a "Pit Stop" competition. You won't be getting your hands too dirty and you will not need any tools. However, a tire pressure gauge will help. Be there to cheer on your fellow competitors.

Before you leave your house either set the trip counter to zero or jot down your mileage. Total driving distance will be tallied.

Trophies will be awarded in many categories so come on out and make some (Alfa) noise. If you have any questions, call Fred Firschein at (714) 773-1473.

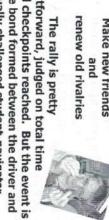


# T'S BRAILLE RALLYE TIME AGAIN

Saturday, August 1

Polish up your car and plan to spend the day with some really cool kids and cars

Make new friends



differential and checkpoints reached. But the event is more about the bond formed between the driver and his/her visually challenged student-navigator straightforward, judged on total time

Be part of an over 40 year summer tradition as a driver or volunteer



plain folk to make this a special day for special youth, who have met Join drivers from sports car clubs, law enforcement, media, and just established reading goals to qualify to participate

## DRIVER AND WORKER CHECKLIST

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#### Schedule:

	NOTE: Any driver not checked-in by 9:00 may not get a student/navigator sha	7:30 AM Check-in opens	7:00 AM Gates open at Braille Institute - Coffee and danuts available
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#### **Helpful Hints:**

10:01 AM

FIRST CAR OUT - BRAILLE RALLYE 2009 ADVENTURE BEGINS!

Approximate conclusion of event

Navigator/driver pairing

3:30 PM 9:30 AM

- Arrive early first registered, first out
- Please do not bring a passenger unless he/she will be course worker. The day is all about your relationship with your navigator without distractions
- Polish the car and yourself there is a good chance of media coverage
- Fill your gas lank, check the oil and water. Be sure your spare lire is usable and seat belts are operative
- Bring a Los Angele/Orange County map or Thomas Guide
- Familiarize yourself with the "General Rally Instructions" you will receive prior to the rally
- Bring a cell phone. You will be given a number to call incase you are hopelessly lost or Verify your auto insurance is current (The event is covered by K & K)
- Bring a few extra dollars that may be needed to treat your navigator along the route. have a problem
- There will be a rest stop midway through the rally with drinks, snacks and restrooms You will need a watch, clock or sundial to track time, especally at the rest stop. Fancy rally
- SUNSCREEN equipment is not needed
- There will be plenty of Braille Institute workers to assist you at the checkpoints, rest stop, and luncheon at the end of the rally

# THERE IS A \$10 REGISTRATION FEE PAYABLE ON THE DAY OF THE RALLYE

communicating with the sighted world tive to aid in their mastery of Braille, increase reading skills, and gain confidence in REMEMBER: The primary purpose of the Braille Rallye is to give the students a fun incen-

vates them to learn and to become proficient in Braille and large print reading. Please vehicles these days. We sincerely hope that it will not deter you from participating in don't disappoint them. ing in the Braille Institute Youth Programs throughout Southern California; one that motithis year's event. This day is one of the most important days for the students participat-The organizers of the Braille Rallye are well aware of the increasing costs of operating

#### CONTACTS

714-841-1249 Huntington Beach, CA 92647 6471 Newbury Drive Patricia West, Registrar

Los Angeles, CA 90029 **Braille Institute Youth Center** 741 North Vermont Avenue Anita Wright

RALLYE STARTING POINT: Braille Institute, 741 North Vermont, Los Angeles, CA nseandwest@verizon.net 323-663-1111 Ext. 3130

us immediately. PLEASE, DO NOT LEAVE A STUDENT WITHOUT A RIDE! IMPORTANT: If you sign up and find you will not be able to attend, PLEASE contact

		CAR#	
Saturday, August 1  DRIVER REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION SHEET	BRAILLE RALLYE 2009	Received Bailout	

below before July 25, 2009. Thank you! To register for Braille Railye 2009; please complete this information sheet and mail, e-mail, or fax to the address shown

PHONE: DAY STREET ADDRESS NAME EVENING

CITY, ZIP

DRIVERS LIC

(This will only be used to track you during the rally, if needed) CELL

DRIVER/NAVIGATOR SEAT BELTS? Yes ( )No ( ) REAR SEAT WITH BELTS? Yes ( )No ( ) CONVERTIBLE? Yes ( ) No ( )

CAR MAKE AND MODE E-MAIL (Please print clearly)

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST A SPECIFIC STUDENT/NAVIGATOR RALLY EXPERIENCE? Yes ( ) No ( ) PLEASE DESCRIBE INSURANCE CARRIER

GENERAL MEDIA INFORMATION

PLEASE INDICATE HERE AND WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO PAIR YOU UP AGAIN
DID YOU NOT DRIVE COMPETITIVELY LAST YEAR BECAUSE THERE WERE NOT ENOUGH STUDENTS?
If so, thank you! We want to make sure you have a student/navigator this year.

Yes ( ) No ( )

UNUSUAL/PARTICULAR VEHICLE DATA

OCCUPATION

HOBBIES/INTERESTS

The above information is available, as stated, for any media release.

Patricia West 6471 Newbury Drive

IMPORTANT: Please return by mail or e-mail before July 25 to:

Signature

714-841-1249 (phone/fax-please phone before faxing so I can turn it on)

Date

Huntington Beach, CA 92647-6565 e-mail

Register early. In the event that it becomes necessary to limit the number of drivers, or the number of participants from any one car club, it will be done primarily in order of receipt of registration. We hope that the there will be a student for every driver, however, oftentimes—students cancel the morning of the event and there are more drivers than students. We hope that you understand if you do not get a student/navigator and are asked to help in another way. We will try to make it as fair as possible

box and return by phone or e-mail. To keep our mailing list current and to not disturb those who may no longer be interested. PLEASE check the appropriate

See you August 1sti

I am unable to attend this year, but please keep me on the mailing list

Please remove me from the mailing list

## Italian supercars and etceterini at Monterey La Dolce Vita Automobili 2009

classic race cars, along with other European examples on public display. motor cars on the peninsula. The event will offer Italian sportscars, exotics and Dolce Vita Automobili at Black Horse will present the freshest display of On Friday, August 14, during Monterey Car Week in Northern California, La

giving proper attention to layout and details that allow every car the profile it previews, La Dolce Vita Automobili is carving a niche of its own. Unlike deserves dedicated to showcasing under-served marques with just a few hundred cars Ferraris and the better part of 1000 vehicles, La Dolce Vita Automobili is previous shows held at the Black Horse Golf Course, which flaunted rows of While the Friday schedule offers multiple car shows, art expos and auction

d'Elegance to admire 'etceterini' as much as supercars people gathered at The Quail on Friday prior to the Pebble Beach Concours car show on the green, reminiscent of earlier days on the peninsula, when La Dolce Vita Automobili at Black Horse was formed to deliver a proper Italian

evidenced on the peninsula. Returning such an event to the Black Horse Golf music and atmosphere. cars from all angles, while mingling and enjoying the vendor marketplace, wine Course meant giving cars the lush backdrop they deserve and room to admire When the event was formed in late 2008, it was the only Italian car show

examples of Bugatti and Porsche. rainbow have registered to exhibit, while featured marques from other events on Alfa Romeo community and owners of Maserati cars who will celebrate the peninsula will be showcased in a specialty display, currently offering 'Maserati Days' during the event. Lamborghinis of virtually every color of the The display will be well-rounded, with a strong showing expected from both the

students at various design colleges around the United States tomorrow. The Collectors Foundation will manage and disperse the funds to aiming to follow a career in automotive design, shaping the classic cars of A La Dolce Vita Scholarship Fund has been established to assist young people

paying adult. This is one more way that La Dolce Vita Automobili at Black Tickets are set at \$70.00. Those aged 17 and under will be admitted free with a Horse is hoping to 'preserve the admiration of collector cars among future See www.ladolcevitamontercybay.com.

# Alfapalooza '09 -- A Spontaneous Send-off Party for Transpac Record Hopeful: Alfa Romeo II

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Photos by the Barretts, Paul Dexler, Tom Suter

What a great excuse for a party! In a rapidly organized show of 32 cars from SoCal, SD, OC and Central Coast chapters, about 60 Alfisti enjoyed being part of the pre-race festivities for Transpac '09, gathering to wish Neville Crichton and crew of the super-maxi Alfa Romeo 2, good luck in their attempt to break the elapsed time record for the 2,225-mile sailing contest.

It all started when Club member and Long Beach resident, Nick Zart, saw the boat moored at the long dock off Gladstone's restraurant. Zart queried John Sangmeister of Gladstone's; Sangmeister queried boat owner Crichton; Jim and Elyse Barrett took the basics and ran with them, and Alfaplaooza was born!

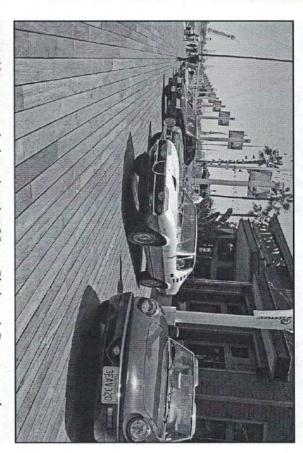
Crichton, 63, was Yachting New Zealand's 2003 Sailor of the Year, and is the sole distributor of Alfa Romeo and Fiat in his native New Zealand, and Australia. He has been a sailor all his life, and in recent years commissioned faster and more hightech ocean racing yachts. Alfa Romeo 2 is his latest, a super-maxi, 100-foot, all-carbon fiber machine that has won most of the significant distance races worldwide, except Transpac. Crichton last competed in this event 30 years ago and has come back to attempt to break the

elapsed time record of 6 days, 19 hours, set in 2005. The boat has a crew of 24, with usually 18 hands on board. This race will be run with just 15 crew to keep weight down.

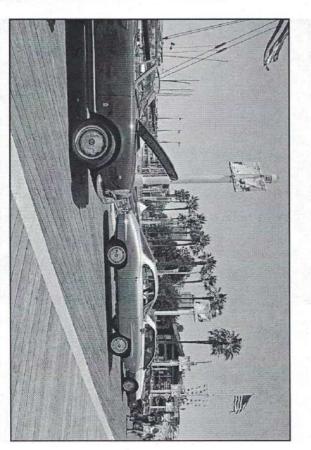
Crichton graciously conducted a half-dozen tours for Club members through the afternoon, then equally graciously accepted a thank-you proclamation designed by Steve Edelman and delivered by Norm Silverman, plus a set of AROSC logo patches for the crew.

maxiyacht/ and become a fan of AR2, visit www.alfaromeo.com.au/ ran on the Transpac site, http:// on Monday, and a follow story also event. The Long Beach Press Sailing & Sports News before the appearing on the Transpac event the race and future adventures of tinyurl.com/Transpac-Pier. To follow www.facebook.com/l/;http:// Facebook page, http:// www.transpacrace.com/ and Telegram reported in print and online Web site, online news service BYM attention with news releases Alfapalooza attracted media Transpac-Pier on Facebook at the url Transpac Pier at Rainbow Harbor's

It was all great fun and there is talk of reprises at Gladstone's in 2010 and 2011.

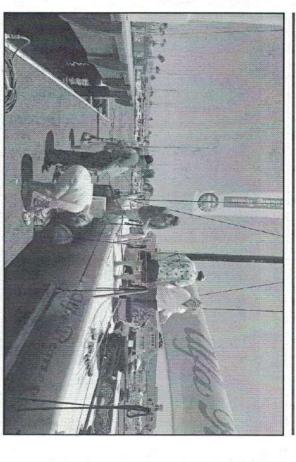


Our Alfas were parked on the wharf from Gladstone's Restautant down to the dock of Alfa Romeo 2.

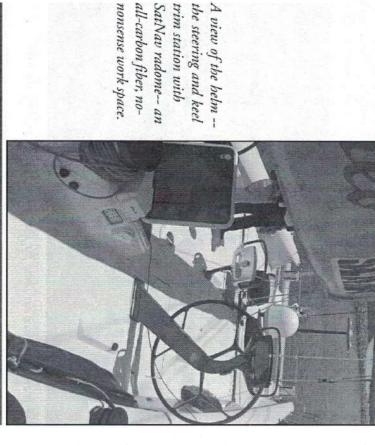


We provided a nice car show for the general public visiting the area.

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and no shoes! Climbing aboard the boat was not easy -- high steps, higher safety cable,

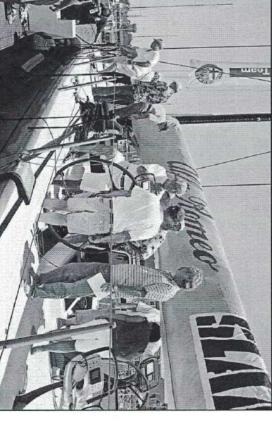


SatNav radome-- an trim station with

nonsense work space. all-carbon fiber, no-



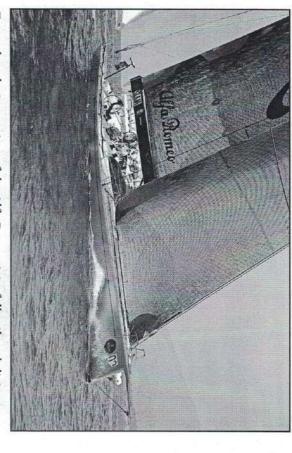
Exploring below deck -- Bruce Colby & Elyse Barrett check it out.



An interested group explores the boat and talks to the Captain.

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through the water. From the wb-site, a view of the Alfa Romeo 2 in full sail and slicing



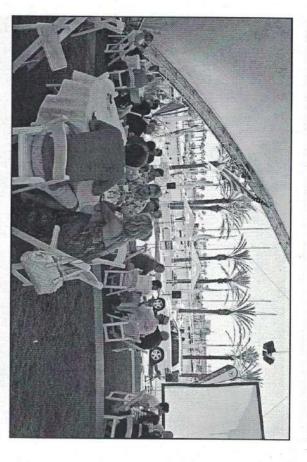
together near the shade pavilion.



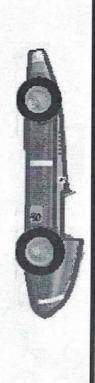
patches and a couple of copies of Alfacionada to stave off boredom. Norman presents a proclamation to Neville Chrichton, along with jacket



The happy crowd rests in the shade and catches up with old friends.



ages, snacks, and conversations. The group gathered in the shade of Gladstone's outdoor center, for bever-



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