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April 2011

**In This Issue: Chili Cook-off, upcoming events, and more...**

**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:** .With no car photos from this month's Chili Cook-off, we present another from last month: The Desert Classic Concours at la Quinta: judging an Alfa Spider. Photo by Ken Sizemore.

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## **2011 AROSC Previews -- *An Outline of Coming Events***

*April 16-17 – Driving School, Streets of Willow*

*April 30 – General Meeting & Tour of Petersen Museum*

See the Supercars and Hot Rods! More info on page 13

*May 14-15 – Buttonwillow Time Trial & Race (new Date!)*

The wine tour has been rescheduled to July 15-17 to add this competition event to our calendar. See page 22.

***DON'T MISS:  
April 30 -- Tour the Petersen and  
General Meeting  
May 21 -- Cars&Coffee, Murray collec-  
tion tour, & Cline's Brunch  
May 14-15 -- Time Trial & Race @  
Buttonwillow***

*May 21– Cars & Coffee / garage tour @ Don Murray's/ brunch &  
General Meeting @ Cline's*

Itinerary and info on page 14.

*June 5 – Huntington Beach Concours & Club Concours #2*

See info on page 12.

*June 25 – General Meeting at Shin Yoshikawa's, Frazier Park*

*July 2 – Alfapalooza, Gladstone’s Long Beach*

See info on page 16.

*July 15-17– Wine Tour -- Rescheduled due to conflict*

See page 22.

*July 31 – General Meeting and Summer Party at Phyllis’,  
Huntington Beach*

*August 6 – Braille Rallye and lunch*

*August 18-21 – Monterey Historics Weekend*

*August 27 – General Meeting TBD*

*September 24 – General Meeting, Agua Dulce Winery & Big Mouth  
Pizza*

*October 1-2 – Time Trial & Race, Willow Springs*

*October 29 – General Meeting & Tour of Nethercutt Museum*

*November 6 – Concours #3 at Best of France & Italy Car Show,  
Woodley Park*

*November 19 – General Meeting, Elections, and White Turkey  
Auction, Dirk’s*

*December 3– Competition Board Meeting*

*December 10 – Holiday Party @ Kutkus’*

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NOTE: Board meetings are currently flexible as to date and location.  
If you are interested in attending, call Mike Riehle.

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We want you to get your news in the most timely manner, be a little greener, and leave a few bucks in your Club's treasury for more fun -- and this is the best way to do it.

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## **View from the Top --**

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The weather held for those who braved the forecasts and attended the Chili Cook Off. Chris thought my chili was a sure-fire winner, but she didn't anticipate the level of competition. Doug and Joyce took away the honors with their All or Nothing Chili. Three kinds of meat including Buffalo for that extra authentic touch.

The Spring Driving Tour will be over by the time you read this. Hopefully, the weather and the wild flowers will cooperate. A good turnout is expected based on the number of hotel reservations. Chris' co-worker and our friend, Jon, will be attending his very first Alfa event in his 750 Spider Abnormale. Chris is sufficiently pumped that she has given me permission to leave our air conditioned Japanese Alfa at home and bring something more appropriate. She even said something about getting a big floppy hat to wear in case we decide to put the top down!

Likewise, the Spring Driving School at the Streets of Willow is probably over, or going on, as you read this. I can't tell you how it

went, but the number of entries was very encouraging as we went to press.

Last night the Board voted to email the April Alfacionada to all members. You will also get the usual paper copy via bulk mail. This will be repeated in May. This gives you two months to make side-by-side comparisons and let us know your preference. If you do nothing (i.e. Unless you opt out), we will stop sending a paper copy effective with the June issue. Also, if you don't get an emailed copy, that is your clue that we don't have your email address.

Norm and Gene are very excited about our April meeting at the Peterson because of the special exhibits that are there. For those of you who don't know, Norm and Gene are docents at the Peterson. That gets us great treatment and two extra great tour guides who are eager to show us the new Supercar Exhibit. Bring your lunch or buy one at Johnny Rockets in the museum. Johnny Rockets creates a 50's style burger joint experience and, if chocolate is your thing, be sure

and treat yourself to a chocolate malt.

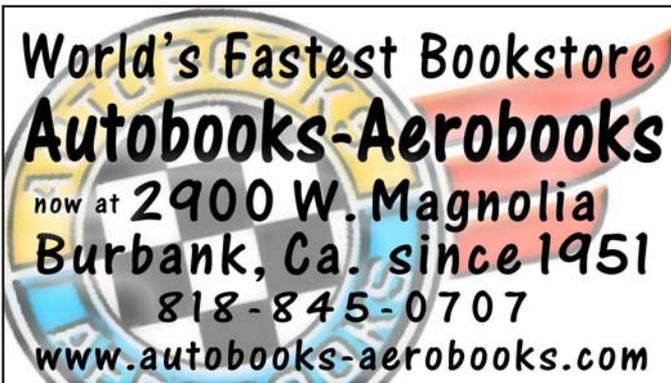
May 14-15 brings up the Time Trial & Race at Buttonwillow. This is a primo date that holds the promise of some primo weather, so don't miss this one. We rescheduled the Wine Tour when the track offered us this date, so all you racers and wine aficionados can do both events.

May 21 is Cars & Coffee in Irvine followed by a tour of Don Murray's garage and brunch at Chuck & Jan Clines. This is one of our best attended events of the year. I make the trek down to Cars & Coffee once a year and this is it. Nothing like cruising down the freeway in the Sprint and having somebody do a double take and give me and a wave & a beep-beep only to realize that he is driving an honest to God

California Spider. We will have a dedicated Alfa parking area, but it normally fills up, so arrive Oh-My-God early to be sure of a spot. And, don't forget to check out the non-Alfas as there is a lot of fantastic stuff you just don't see anywhere else. No reservations are required for Cars & Coffee and there is spectator parking. Call Elyse & Jim Barrett if you want to do the tour and/or brunch as space is limited. Jan Cline does all the cooking for the brunch (she is a great cook) and charges a minimal donation for her trouble. What a great way to relax after a hard morning of checking out cars.

Remember, if the women don't find you handsome, they should at least find you handy. And don't forget the duct tape, a handyman's secret weapon.

*Mike & Chris*



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## **Tech: Alfa Owners Saving the World**

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This month's article was supposed to be the second half of my battery article. But after all the news about raising gas prices, the state of the economy and health care I thought I would write about how Alfa ownership can help overcome all of these difficulties.

First of all, the concern over rising gas prices: We all know that our Alfas are fairly economical to drive. While not as good as some of the newer compacts and hybrids they are much better than the SUVs and trucks that are the majority of the vehicles seen on the roads today. Of course those compacts and hybrids are not near as much fun to drive and can be downright boring, but I'll get to that aspect in a minute. Right now I'll focus on fuel economy. As I said Alfas are very economical to drive. The design of the Alfa engine is specifically done to get the most out of every gallon of gas. But one thing that people forget is that a non-running car uses even less gas than a running one. So every time that your Alfa refuses to run you are reducing the amount of gasoline needed by our country. A lot of Alfa owners own

multiple Alfa just so that they can be sure of having at least one running one. Now just imagine if the whole country owned nothing but Alfas. That alone would cut the United States gasoline usage by over 60%! It would also lessen greenhouse gas emissions and greatly reduce the amount of time spent in traffic jams. Of course there will still be the occasional lane blockage cause by a stalled Alfa but it will still be better than the current traffic.

As for the economy just think of how many vendors and mechanics you are keeping in business to keep your Alfa running! Again, if everyone drove Alfas there would have to be a lot more Alfa parts suppliers and mechanics which would help boost the economy, not to mention all the delivery services (using Alfa vans, of course) with all those parts deliveries. There is also a big call today for recycling and who knows better about recycling than Alfa owners. You all know Alfa owners that always have a parts car or two in the yard to get replacement parts from. Of course with everyone driving Alfas there

would be no need for Toyota parts suppliers and mechanics. But we all know that Toyotas never need repairs so why do we need mechanics for them in the first place? They can always cross-train over to repairing Alfas where they can learn to swear in a whole new language.

And then there is health care. A couple of the biggest complaints about the health of Americans today is that we eat too much fast food and don't exercise enough. Well just give everybody an Alfa and the problems will be done. Do you realize how many calories you burn pushing a non-running Alfa down the road? There is also all the walking you will do while the

car is in the shop. You won't be buying fast food any more, not with having to spend all your money at your mechanic's. In fact most households will have to start planting gardens to grow their own food just to make ends meet. And when your Alfa is running you will be overwhelmed with the pleasure you get driving. And remember: a happy driver is a happy person and a happy person is a healthy person.

So the next time your neighbor asks you why you're driving that funny little Italian car just tell them that you are doing it for the good of the Country and walk away holding your head high.

*Gene Brown*

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## **Concorso Italiano to Celebrate Survivors**

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Concorso Italiano 2011 wants your original or barn-find Italian car to be featured at this year's show, scheduled to be held Friday, August 19th at Laguna Seca Golf Ranch in Monterey, California.

The 2011 edition of Concorso Italiano plans to honor these great survivors and recognize those owners who have helped to preserve their originality and have resisted the temptation to restore, and in a worst case scenario, over-restore. The Concorso Italiano "Centerpiece Display" will feature an exhibit of a broad range of cars from all Italian Marques, selected on several criteria including uniqueness, interesting find story, etc.

To qualify for the Concorso Italiano display, entrants need an "original" 1973 or earlier Italian car, with original determined as 80% original paint, chrome and interior, including leather and carpets. Mechanically the car should be in operating condition. Modern tires are acceptable if they are of the size originally equipped by the factory. You must be able to document the originality of your car. Some exceptions may be allowed.

To apply for consideration in the Concorso Italiano 2011 "Centerpiece Display", send photos and a description of your car along to [ci@concorso.com](mailto:ci@concorso.com). All applications will be reviewed and a limited number of participants will be selected.

For more information about Concorso Italiano, visit [www.concorso.com](http://www.concorso.com).

## Next Concours: June 5, Huntington Beach

It's time to start cleaning up your Alfa for the next club concours. June 5<sup>th</sup>, in conjunction with the Huntington Beach Concours, is your chance to have your car shine in the sun. Get out the vacuum and clean the interior of loose articles, leaves and dirt. Tie up any loose wires and have everything in its place. Make the exterior sparkle and the chrome gleam. Be ready to take home an award for all your efforts. Besides the possibility of an award there is the self satisfaction you get driving a well prepared car. Don't forget, when you enter a car to be judged, you will be asked to help with the judging. This is a great opportunity to learn how the cars are judged, and give you some ideas how to prepare your own car. You will not be on your own, but partnered with someone who has done this before. Registration for the club concours will take place at the event. Arrive early and have your car ready at 10AM. Looking forward to seeing you at the Huntington Beach Concours.

Of course, to enter the AROSC Concours, you must first enter the Huntington Beach Concours. Entry forms and info are available at the HB Concours web site: [hbconcours.org](http://hbconcours.org). We will have on-line registration and payment, but the web site revision is not up and running yet. You can down-load an entry form fill it in, and mail it to PO Box 5578, Huntington Beach, CA 92615-5578, or give it to Phyllis Gaylard. The fee is \$30, and the event is held in Central Park, behind the HB Library at Golden West & Talbert. **Acceptance Deadline is Friday, May 27. Entry check-in on Sunday is before 8:00 AM**

**HBC Alfa Classes:** Concours or Street in each class.

- 4A Historics, Pre-1950 & limited production.
- 4B Open, 1950-1966
- 4C Open, 1966-present, Duetto & later
- 4D Closed, 1950-1975
- 4E Closed, 1976-present, Alfetta & later
- 4F Competition cars, all models in competition form



## High Performance Driving School

Streets of Willow at Willow Springs Raceway, Rosamond, CA

### April 16 - 17, 2011

The High Performance Driving School is a chance to test the limits of your vehicle and yourself. No flashing lights, no tickets, no worries! In addition to having a great time, you will be learning the skills that will make you a better driver on the track and on the street. You will have class time, skidpad exercises (a great experience in learning car control), as well as a lot of track time.

Our High Performance Driving School, run by the AROSC, has been in continuous operation for over 20 years.

#### 3 Groups:

- Street Performance/DE
- TT (Novice/Advanced)
- Race



- No racing belts required for Street Performance/DE Group
- Instructors will ride in your car
- All cars are welcome, always have been. Bring your daily driver or your performance canyon racer. You just need a desire to improve your skills and to have a little fun in the process.
- Just learning to drive, 17 or 18 yrs old? Come out and learn the good driving habits now.
- Want to learn how to race? Race class will focus on starts and side by side racing exercises. You will have more starts than you would see in 2 years of racing. A big step in getting your Race License.
- The track, Streets of Willow, is a slower speed track designed for teaching car control rather than high speed.

**Your car. Your helmet. 2 days of track, skidpad and classroom.  
More details at [www.aroschpd.org](http://www.aroschpd.org)**

# PETERSEN MUSEUM

**April 30, 2011**

**Location:** 6060 Wilshire Blvd.  
Los Angeles, CA 90036

**Arrival Time:** 10:00 am

**Parking Area:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Level by the Picnic Area  
Validation will be provided for  
the first 40 cars.

**Lunch:** 1:00pm in the Picnic Area  
BYO or Johnny Rocket's



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to receive up-to-date information as it becomes available!

## April Meeting: Tour the Petersen Museum

We will tour the Petersen on April 30<sup>th</sup> and have lunch probably in the Parking Garage. Arrive between 10 & 10:30 AM. **The tour will start promptly at 11:00AM and will last approximately 1 hour 30 minutes.** The Petersen is located on the south-east corner of Wilshire at Fairfax.

Park on the 3<sup>rd</sup> level by the tented “picnic area”. Johnny Rockets will be open and reasonable or you can BYO. **Please keep your parking receipt and it will be validated.** There is a nominal fee for non-members to tour the museum. Additional discounts for seniors and children.. We are trying to get a club rate at the discount level for all participants in the tour.

Along with the **Permanent Exhibits** listed here, there are 2 Special Exhibits.

- The Streetscape – The car and the City in Southern California
- Hollywood Gallery – Cars of film and Television
- Alternative Power – Lessons from the past, Inspiration for the future
- Hot Wheels Hall of Fame

### **Special Exhibits**

- **SUPERCARS: WHEN TOO MUCH IS ALMOST ENOUGH**

Like supercomputers, supermarkets, and supermodels, supercars represent an extreme. More than mere transportation, they offer a bold and extroverted means of self expression. They have always had in common immensely powerful engines, minimal passenger carrying capacity, adventurous mechanical specifications, and a commanding presence. That they have always been extremely exotic in appearance and impossibly rare makes them even more special.

- **NHRA: SIXTY YEARS OF THUNDER**

The realities of American road travel meant that very few domestic vehicles would ever be taken over narrow, twisty mountain passes or road raced in the European manner. Yet while American cars were built to traverse wide ribbons of highway for hundreds of miles at a time it did not mean that the fun was over. It just meant that one’s driving entertainment had to come from a new direction. By far the most affordable way to have an entertaining driving experience—and express your individuality in the process—was to buy an inexpensive, second hand American car and modify it yourself to suit your taste and needs. Since it was not necessary to place a priority on handling and maneuverability, American hot rodders came to prefer the light and powerful 1932 Ford V-8 and an entire industry was built around improving their straight-line performance.

## **Alfa Day at Cars & Coffee: May 21**

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### **Murray Garage Tour + Brunch, Chez Cline**

Make it an OC kind of Saturday and come to the annual *Alfa Tour de OC* at Ford Design Center (Mazda corporate parking lot) in Irvine on May 21.

We are the honored marque at this, the premier car-guy coffee klatch on the planet, so make this the Saturday you get up early and drive!

#### **Itinerary**

#### **6:30-8:30 Cars & Coffee. Ford Design Center, Irvine. Free admission**

We have a designated parking area that holds no more than 50 cars, so arrive BEFORE 7 a.m., to park here. Otherwise, you can park in the outer lots and still have a great time!! Bring your coffee cup and you can get refills of some great joe for \$1.

#### **8:30-10:00 Murray Garage Tour, Irvine**

As Cars & Coffee winds down, get ready to drive up the road to Club member Don Murray's garage for an exclusive viewing of his lovely Italian, German and American machinery. THIS IS AN AROSC MEMBERS ONLY ACTIVITY. PLEASE DO NOT INVITE ANYONE WHO YOU DON'T KNOW AND WHO IS NOT A MEMBER OR YOUR GUEST.

#### **10:30-12:00 noon. Brunch at Casa Cline, Fountain Valley.**

Our regularly scheduled Club business and address by *il Presidente* Mike Riehle will take place here. THIS IS A MEMBERS-ONLY ACTIVITY. AN RSVP IS REQUIRED. Please contact the Clines, at 714.531.3541, to make a reservation; an expense-defrayal donation of \$5 per person is requested, please.

Other questions will be answered and details provided by Elyse & Jim Barrett, at 714.964.9530; or through email at [eddinab@mindspring.com](mailto:eddinab@mindspring.com).

**See you there.**



*We tend to max-out the reserved parking for Alfas, so come early!*



*A nice row of shiney red Alfa Spiders at last year's event.*

## **Alfapalooza is Coming! July 2!**

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Come celebrate the 2011 Transpacific Yacht Race on Saturday, July 2 and be a part of the pier-side color at Gladstone's Long Beach as some of the most distinguished ocean racing yachts gather for their biennial 2,250-mile slide to Hawaii.

In 2009 New Zealand and Australia Alfa Romeo distributor Neville Crichton brought his 100-foot maxi racer to the event and as a supporter of the marque, we became supporters of his mission to break the Transpac speed record. He graciously gave Club members a tour of the boat and talked with us about the vessel, the event and his network of dealerships Down Under. The next week, he did indeed smash the record for the event. At press time, we don't know what he has entered, but this will be the third Alfapalooza in as many years, and we are now part of the party!

Last year we gathered in mid-June for a milder day on the waterfront and had a walking gimmick rally to amuse ourselves and build an appetite for the fabulous appetizer menu at Gladstone's.

### **Alfa Required**

This is an Alfa showcase and you must drive your Alfa to be able to park with us at the Transpac Patio and on the Rainbow Pier, hosted by John Sangmeister, manager of Gladstone's.

We typically have 30 cars from AROSC and our friends from Central Coast and San Diego chapters. It is a great excuse for a party and to see some folks from outside the area.

### **View the Yachts**

The race starts in three-day waves and there will be sailboats from 36 to 100 feet moored in and around our pier. You can walk the docks and view the boats, relax in the shade on the patio outside Gladstone's and of course, hang out with your car.

### **Schedule the Event**

Mark your calendar for July 2 and look for more information here and in e-blasts from AROSC. You may also friend Gladstone's Long Beach on Facebook, and see all the other goings-on.



*The pier is a show place for Alfas, beach-goers, bikes, etc. We fit in fine.*



*Overflow parking was on the board-walk next to Gladstone's last year.*

## **Chili Cook-off on a Chilly Day**

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*Photos by Jack Merriam & Jim Barrett.*

The sky was dark and threatening, the clouds promising yet more rain in a week that was filled with rain. We arrived at Arovista Park and were greeted by Mike and Chris as we unloaded the car and set up a table for the chili cook-off. No other group was at the park to compete with us for table space like last year. Soon other stalwart Alfa people arrived and the benches filled with activity and the air was filled with the aroma of chili.

As more Alfa people arrived the sky started to clear, the sun was trying to peak out, and Norm Silverman was putting on a layer of sun block. Then the clouds got dark and the wind picked up, blowing cups and napkins around. Before the rain started someone suggested we get the chili tasting started, so eager and hungry people descended on the hot bubbling pots. The wind stopped and the sky cleared again as the tasting and judging went on. It was noted how fast a crowd would gather when a bottle of wine was opened for tasting.

Our President, Mike Riehle, held the monthly general club meeting

high-lighting upcoming events. We had seven participants in the chili competition, each one with a unique and wonderful taste. Thanks to all who participated and helped drive away the clouds. Ballots were counted and the results of the People's Choice for best chili went to Doug and Joyce McHattie's buffalo-infused chili. They received a trophy and hearty thanks for their efforts. No one was in a hurry to leave as we all stayed around swapping lies and tall tales.

*Fred*



*Where's the plug??*



*A crowd gathers waiting for some hot chili to warm up.*



*Catherine, Doug, Joyce, and Steve tasting -- looks like they like it.*



*Elyse with Cody, Catherine, and Steve sample one pot of chili.*



*Art, Will, and Jay discuss the merits of their sample*



*It was temporarily shirt-sleeve weather, again!*



*Joyce and Doug McHattie receive the trophy for People's Choice favorite from Fred, our Chili wrangler.*

# ANNUAL WINE TOUR

**JULY 15 - 17, 2011**

**SAVE THE DATE!**

The AROSC Annual Wine Tour has moved it's date to the summertime and it looks like we're headed towards Central California!

Look for more details on the tour in our May Monthly Newsletter!



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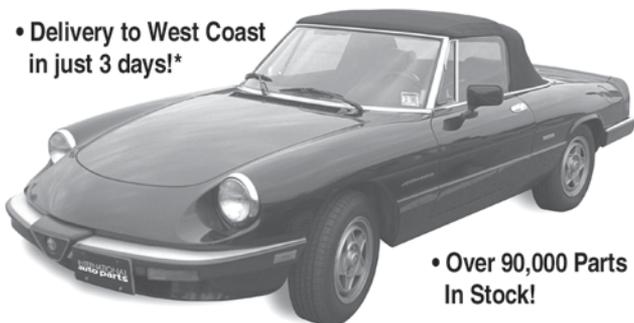
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9-10 Spring Driving Tour	14-15 Buttonwillow DE, TT & Race	5 Concours @ Huntington Beach	2 Alfapalooza - LB
16-17 Driving School Streets of Willow	21 Cars & Coffee, tour, Brunch, Gen Mtg.	25 Gen Meeting at Shin Yoshikawa's, Frasier Park	15-17 Wine Tour
30 Petersen Museum & Gen Mtg.			31 Summer Party