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Our Cover This Month

Top: Casa Cline's back garden was the perfect retreat for our Summer Party. Jim Barrett photo. Bottom: The color of the day was RED at Concorso Italiano with 90 Alfas on the green. Jan Cline photo.

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Previews ... *What's coming up and when.*

September 7 – Fall Day Drive and General Meeting. A redux to last year's spring version, San Fernando Valley to Ojai, without the snow! Lunch at a great Italian restaurant in town. NOTE DATE CHANGE! See adflyer on page 15.

September 21-22 – Coronado Speed Festival, San Diego. Take in some terrific vintage racing action, enjoy a stroll on the strand, and share good times with Club members. See article page 20.

October 5-6 – Time Trial and Race, Willow Springs International Raceway, Rosamond. See adflyer page 23.

October 19-20 – Wine Tour plus General Meeting, Santa Maria/Los Olivos. See story page 22.

November 3 – Best of France & Italy, Woodley Park, Van Nuys.

November 16-17 – Event type TBD, Streets of Willow.

November 23 – Election Meeting program has changed. We will meet in San Pedro and tour the *U.S.S. Iowa*, with final election results announced on the fantail. Look for your ballots week of November 4-8. We will then adjourn to historic Joe Jost's in Long Beach for lunch. Details on page 21.

December 14 – Holiday Party at the Clubhouse.



Note: Board of Directors meetings are generally held on the last Thursday of the month. Anyone with business to bring before the Board is requested to please contact Il Presidente Mike Riehle.



Superflow IV Pininfarina Coupe 1960 at Pebble Beach. Courtesy Sports Car Digest.

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FROM THE TOP ... *the Word from Il Presidente*

Monterey is becoming an annual trek for myself and the First Lady. This year we left home at 0-dark-thirty on Wednesday to arrive in Pacific Grove in time to enter the Little Car Show (<http://www.marinamotorsports.org/events/>). What a wonderful place to see a wide range of arcane and fascinating little cars. At one point we were standing with Chuck and Tina of Autobooks-Aerobooks, when something unique pulled in. Chuck said it was a Honda S600. I speculated it might be a Siata. Well, we were both half right. It was a Toyota S600 Sport, the only one in the country! Did I mention there were five Alfas there? The show is free and any car under 1600 cc is welcome.

On Thursday morning we went to Pebble Beach to watch the cars pull out for the Pebble Tour, the “extra points” event that welcomes invited exhibitors to participate in a driving tour. This is, for the public, a great little-known free event, but it required getting up at 0-dark-thirty again. If you can’t manage such an early get-up time, the cars are on display in Carmel later in the day. However, the best compromise that allows you to avoid the crowds is to station yourself somewhere along the tour route.

Thursday night was dinner at the Loose Noodle, put together by our very own Evie Silverman. As always it was inexpensive, featured good food and was well attended by Alfisti from all over California. This is where we first met Richard and Celeste, fellow Sprint owners from Napa, whom we saw repeatedly over the week. They have three Sprints to our one!

On Friday Concorso Italiano had a fantastic turnout of Alfas as always. This year, the Alfas were arranged in more logical groups thanks to a couple of hard-working ARA volunteers. There were three Sprints, a mere pittance compared to the 10+ at the AROC Convention in Sonoma in July, but the camaraderie was great. We set up under the trees with a little food and vino and thoroughly enjoyed the day. Afterward, there was an Alfa dinner right there in the golf course’s clubhouse.

Saturday morning was the irreverent Concours d’LeMons car show in Seaside. No Alfas on display this year, but it was fun nevertheless, with a great turnout of classic Lemons such as Corvairs, Vegas and K-cars. My personal favorite was a nice old Triumph with a placard that said, “I wasn’t invited to Pebble Beach or the Quail, (I’m) not Italian or a Legend of the Autobahn, so I have nowhere else to go.”

The Sprint’s clutch had started slipping, so we returned to the hotel for a quick free-play adjustment. Chris only managed a short nap as the adjustment was uneventful. After that we were off to West and Maggie Clark’s on 17 Mile Drive for a great party. From there it we made our way to the Corkscrew Café in Carmel Valley for the ARA Alfisti dinner. Need I mention that the ARA and Delta Sierra people were looking familiar now and I knew quite a few by name? We discussed the Convention. Everybody who went had a great time. Everybody who helped put it on was still tired. For the time being, they

have instituted a \$10 fine to anyone who suggests they do it again. Kudos to all of them.

Sunday we made the dash home and, once unpacked and re-settled, recorded the inevitable To-Do list. So far Sprint's Lucas windshield wiper system has been disassembled and cleaned and is now in working order again. Also, I pressure-washed the undercarriage and now have the car up in the air with newspapers spread underneath to document various leaks. So far, a new pinion oil seal tops the list.

See page 14 for details on the Ojai Day Tour coming up September 7. We're past the deadline for RSVPing to the restaurant, but if you email him now, just maybe Steve Edelman can still get you in. All participants are invited to come by our home in Camarillo afterward. We have taken

the liberty of inviting a few local car enthusiasts, so there may be some new eye candy out front.

September 21-22 is the Coronado Vintage Races. AROC San Diego Chapter has arranged for an Alfa Corral right behind the grandstands. Stick around for an Alfisti dinner, stay overnight, and come back for more race action on Sunday. Details are on page 20.

October brings up a Time Trial and Race at Willow Springs and our Annual Wine Tour. This year we are heading up to Santa Maria and staying at the historic Santa Maria Inn. Make your plans and reserve your room now. Details on page 22.

"Remember, if the women don't find you handsome, they should at least find you handy. And don't forget the duct tape, the handyman's secret weapon."
— *Mike and Chris*



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The Tech Guy ... *Those Are the Brakes: Part III*

You may remember from your high school physics class the law of conservation of energy: energy can be neither created nor destroyed, but can change form. For instance, chemical energy can be converted to kinetic energy. When you drive your car you are converting the chemical energy in the gasoline to the kinetic energy that moves your car. When you step on the brake, you are converting that same kinetic energy to heat. Managing that heat is the key to effective braking.

In the early days of the automobile, when speeds were slow, the heat generated in braking was not a big issue. But as speeds increased, the heat of braking became a concern. The problem is not so much the heat generated, but how to get rid of it. Early brakes were of the drum type and manufacturers tried various ways to dissipate the heat mainly with the use of aluminum brake drums and the addition of cooling fins.

When disk brakes were introduced, they were usually solid rotors and the disk spinning in the air tended to dissipate the heat. But the cars they were on were smaller, lighter cars so not as much heat was generated in braking. When disk brakes were put on larger cars, ventilated disks were introduced. These have internal vents that move air through the interior of the rotor and increasing the cooling. For most motorists, the ventilated disk brake is sufficient and provide adequate heat dissipation for most uses.

One of the problems with heat build-up in the brakes is that when the brake pads get too hot, they tend to out-gas. The gas creates a layer



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between the brake pad and the rotor, decreasing the effectiveness of the brake. This is usually referred to as “brake fade”. A build-up of brake pad dust between the pad and the rotor can also cause brake fade. To combat this gas and dust build-up, some owners use brake rotors that are either slotted, or cross-drilled, or both. These slots and holes allow the gas and dust to escape without affecting the braking effectiveness. However, slotted and cross-drilled rotors are more expensive and are not available for all cars, especially our older Alfas.

In normal city and highway driving the brakes on modern cars are more than adequate, the key is to not abuse your brakes. I am sure that most of you have been behind another driver going down a hill and you can observe

they have their foot on the brakes the whole time. They are just asking for trouble. The proper thing to do is to use the brakes intermittently, giving the heat a chance to dissipate before the brakes are applied again. If you are going down a long hill and your car keeps accelerating every time you let off the brake, then shift to a lower gear. This allows your engine to assist in the slowing of the car and takes some of the load off the brakes.

In days of yore, drivers were taught to downshift when coming to a stop to assist the brakes in slowing down,

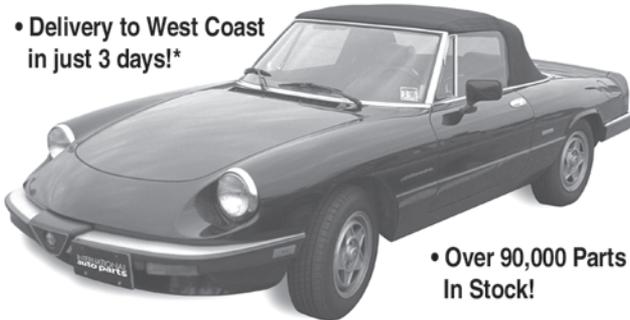
even for a normal stop on flat roads. But that was in the days of drum brakes. With today's disk brakes, downshifting is not needed. Please remember that downshifting causes wear on the clutch, and it is much easier and cheaper to change brake pads than to change a clutch.

So the thing to remember is that your brakes are your friend, and you should not abuse them. Treat them right and they will get you home safely, and be there when you really need them.

— Gene Brown

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Summer Party!!



Our proud banner behind him, Mike holds court over his table with (clockwise) Pat, Bruce, Jolene, Sheila, Jack, Paul, Steve and Chris. Photo by Jim Barrett.

As our Co-Editor pointed out, the AROSC Summer Party had a lot of competition this year, so it's a testament to its many attractions that anyone showed up at all ... well, the Alfa Convention was actually a couple of weeks before, but some folks need time to recover from things like that. Anyway, there was a crowd of, well, quite a few Alfisti (who counted?) swarming the Clines' green and pleasant back yard on July 21st. Hostess Jan sets a pretty high mark for party food, so all the contributors were on their best game, and there wasn't a dud in the bunch.

The weather was sunny, mid-70s, with a slight marine-layer overcast, very pleasant especially for those of us who'd been roasting in the hinterlands. In keeping with Club Tradition

there was no effort to organize any games of skill or chance, no sack races or Simon Says, but devoted only to the eternal verities of eating, drinking and talking each others' ears off. And then eating and drinking some more. Eventually we were called to approximate order by Il Prez Mike before anyone could sneak off, and we had a meeting. I know this because there's a picture of it right here. A transcript of the proceedings would come in handy about now ...

Kudos to our always welcoming hosts Jan and Chuck for letting us all invade yet again, and I sincerely hope we behaved well enough to get invited back. It's a lovely place to spend a summer afternoon, especially with a bunch of nice people.

— Will Owen



Appreciating each other's culinary skills: Doug, Evelyn, Susan, Erwin, Norman, Joyce. Jim Barrett photo.



Editors past / present Will and Phyllis, with Tom Suter. Jim Barrett photo.



Some fine dining: Mike, Chris, Steve, Paul, Jack, Pat. Elyse Barrett photo.



Rapt attention to il Presidente's leading of the meeting: Stan, Terry, Bruce, Pat. Elyse Barrett photo.

The Competition



ALFACALIFORNIA 2013 ... Yes, we know it was over, but were you over IT? We weren't, and we didn't even go! Elyse Barrett photo.



The OC County Fair. Unfair advantage: fried everything! Jim Barrett photo.



Plain old fabulous SoCal summertime top-down driving ... but we'll bet a lot of Alfisti did that on the way there! Jim Barrett photo.

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Next, Il Presidente and First Lady (aka Mike & Chris) invite you to their home in Camarillo to share wine, soft drinks and snacks.



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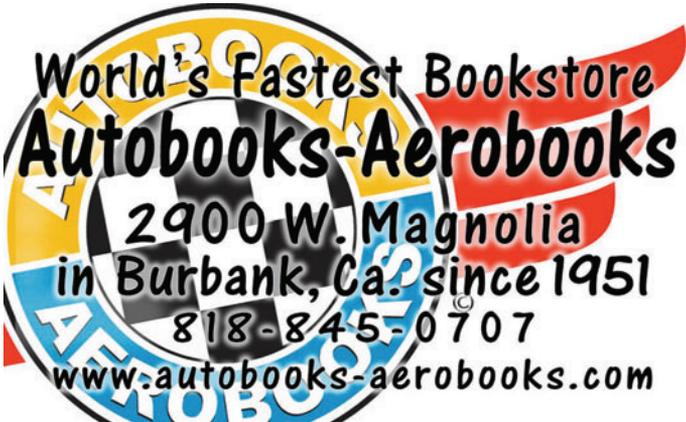
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MONTEREY MEMORIES



Miura was Italian Sports Class winner at Concours on the Avenue. Jeff Srinivasan photo.

Monterey week is so overflowing with opportunities and festivities there is no way to attend even half of them, so we asked our AROSC pilgrims to recall their top three experiences and donate several special images. Enjoy their perspectives.

Evelyn Silverman

Our ninth annual AROSC Monterey Historic Week dinner was a crowning end to a delightful day, and a great start to a weekend of fun (with the exception of my husband's bad back and a generator that quit late Saturday night in Carmel Valley).

For us, Thursday started in downtown Carmel around 11 AM when the Pebble Beach entrants took over Ocean Avenue. One of the first cars into town was the 1938 8C Touring Spider of Ray Sherr, who remembers our AROSC visit to his garage, and may be open for a return engagement.

Our guests at dinner included members of Delta Sierra and ARA, who, still having Convention fever, continued to "event" us throughout

the weekend – dinner at Concorso and dinner at the Corkscrew Restaurant in Carmel Valley. Members from Central Coast and Santa Barbara brought their expected camaraderie, while Tina Van Curen and Chuck Forward from Autobooks/Aerobooks came with the interesting and affable Matt Stone, former editor of *Motor Trend Classic* magazine.



AROSC at the ARA dinner at The Corkscrew. C & J Cline photo.

With a reputation to protect as first respondent for events, I have already made reservations for our 10th anniversary Monterey Historic Week annual dinner (at the Loose Noodle Pasta House). I am taking RSVPs at normanev@msn.com.



Catherine appreciates one of the 8C Alfas in the Pebble Tour. Jay Mackro photo.

Jay Mackro & Catherine Kusnick

We spent mid-week (Monday-Friday) in Monterey this year, avoiding the crowds and expensive entry fees and thoroughly enjoyed these three great events that were absolutely free.

1) Tuesday. Concours on the Avenue. Very diverse in its selection of cars, though the only Alfa Romeo there this year was shown by AROSC's own Jeff Srinivasan.

2) Wednesday. The Little Car Show, held on Lighthouse Avenue in Pacific Grove (the bubble car caught our eye immediately). This show is limited to cars displacing 1600 cc or less, and always has some wild and wacky entries.



The Little Car Show is for, ummm, little cars. The Peel Trident (1965-66) from the Isle of Man is the smallest 2-seater ever made. Jay Mackro photo.

September 2013

3) Thursday. The Pebble Beach Concours had a special exhibit of 8C Alfas this year. While Sunday's concours is far from free, the Tour on Thursday is open to spectators and included many of the Alfas. While it isn't an 8C, the 1960 Superflow IV Pinin Farina Coupe was simply amazing.

Chris Burke

1) The Little Car Show. Last year when we arrived in Pacific Grove, we happened upon a showing of "little" cars, 1600 cc and under, but we were too late to stop and enjoy. This year we decided to join the fun and enter the Sprint. We had a great time and so did everyone else. Lots of really friendly people. We all LOVE our "little cars!"



Another little car! Under 1.5 liter vehicles welcome! Jan Cline photo.

2) Oh, My Gosh! All those dinners! Out to dinner every night ... or should I say we had so many opportunities to socialize with wonderful old and new friends. I vowed that when we got home I would not eat again for a week. Of course that did not actually happen.

3) Pebble Beach Tour d'Elegance. This is our second year of going to Pebble Beach for the start and I have to say this is still my favorite event. This is really a neat event; not too

crowded. You get a chance to see the cars up close and talk to some of the owners and mechanics. Definitely worth braving the early hour.

Chuck & Jan Cline

1) Pre-Historic Races. Going to Laguna Seca on the Sunday before the Historics means no crowds, no vendors, opportunities to see cars up close and talk to owners/drivers who are happy to tell their stories. We parked next to the pedestrian bridge between



Looking up the infamous Corkscrew at Laguna Seca. It's more exciting when it has cars on it. It's very much more exciting if you're in one of them.
Jan Cline photo.

Turns 3 and 4 with no hassles. Pad-dock passes were \$20 each. We could hear F-1 cars practicing before we entered the gates.



Our favorite Concours d'LeMons entry.
C&JCline photo.

2. Pebble Beach Tour d'Elegance. There are ample opportunities to see the cars on the road or for their lunch break in Carmel, but you will never see more cars at one time than at the start near the equestrian center. They line up on Portola Road three abreast. Lots of Alfa 8C 2300s to see. And it's free! Be prepared to get there at 0-dark-thirty; first group departs at 8 AM. Hagerty's supplies coffee and sweets.

3. Concours d'LeMons. This was our third time attending. Six Chevy Vega Cosworths on display, not to mention a very nice Triumph TR-3, plus the (un)usual eclectic mix of funky orphans and LeMons race cars.

Jim & Barbara Brownell

1) Italian Stampede (see below). Our



favorite part of the Monterey weekend was the Italian Stampede (also known as “The Running of the Bulls”). 104 of us left Fusion Motorsports in Chatsworth and traveled together for “protection” (no tickets)! We stopped at Harris Ranch in Coalinga for lunch. It was really good.

2) Concorso Italiano. Since it was the 50th anniversary of Lamborghini, there was a record turnout, to which we brought our Gallardo. Then we saw a vintage Alfa Romeo beauty and fell in love! We want it.

3) Concours d’LeMons. What fun! We think we all need one of the oversized Radio Flyers in our driveway. But wait; there probably IS only one of these. We concluded the day with dinner with friends at the Chart House on Cannery Row overlooking Monterey Bay. It was a truly classic meal.



Radio Flyer rod at Concours d’Lemons. This and “Stampede” B. Brownell photos.

Jeff & Margaret Srinivasan

The Concours on the Avenue is a great show to attend, and a great place to show your car. We were placed perfectly, between the recently imported Lancia 2300 you see in the photo and a Dino GTS with single ownership since 1976, and only a few feet from the main stage. We were in the Italian Sports Class, which was won



The Srinivasan Spider on the Avenue. J. Srinivasan photo.

by a beautiful lime-green Miura with an amazingly restored '58 Fiat spider in close second (see additional photos of these great cars). The appreciative spectators were many and we had lots of good conversations with Alfa enthusiasts all day long.



1958 Fiat 1200 Spider won second-place trophy in its class. J. Srinivasan photo.



1934 8C 2300 Spider Zagato. Chris and Mike approve. Jan Cline photo.

Nostalgia Weekend in San Diego ...

Come to the Coronado Vintage Races!



*Alfa TZ racing at
Coronado.
Photo courtesy
Sports Car Digest.*

Book Now for Coronado!

The Coronado Speed Festival is September 21- 22, and AROSC has space in the Vintage Car Corral, so if you plan to attend, time is running out to book your room, get your passes and tell us you're coming so you will have a place at the dinner table.

Here's what you need to do:

- Get event tickets online at: www.fleetweeksandiego.org/events/speed-fest.html
- Request your corral pass from Hillary Griffith of AROC-SD by sending an email to hillarygriffith@cox.net. Include your mailing address, phone number, and mention that you are with AROSC. The corral is for vintage cars only.
- Book a room for Saturday evening at The Padre Trail Inn, at 800-255-9988. The Club's hold on a block of rooms has officially expired, but they will probably still give you that \$69 rate if you ask for it. The hotel is at 4200 Taylor Street, off the Morena Blvd. exit from Hwy 8.

- Tell the Club that you are coming so we can give the restaurant a count by emailing: info@arosc.org

Here's what you will enjoy by attending:

The Historic races take place on both Saturday and Sunday. Plan to arrive before noon on Saturday, so you can experience the terrific air show. Drive your Alfa Romeo and you can park in the corral behind the grandstands, as long as you obtain a corral pass in advance.

In addition to the races, there will be fixed-wing aircraft, helicopters and amphibious vehicles on display, accompanied by military personnel who explain how they use this equipment.

Leave the races when you are ready, check in at the hotel, and get ready for dinner. At 7 PM we will walk across the street for a Mexican feast.

On Sunday you can return to the races (your corral pass is good for both days), explore Old Town on foot, or begin your drive home.

— Jay Mackro

Save the Date: Election Meeting is Nov. 23

Look for Ballots by week of Nov. 4

Our annual Election Meeting has moved from Lucas Tire in Long Beach to the U.S.S. Iowa in San Pedro.

Don your deck shoes and sunscreen, and find out who will be your new Board of Directors as Elections Committee Chair Paul Battleankenship finishes the ballot-counting on the fantail of this fabulous vessel.

Before that important meeting, however, you will be receiving your ballots in email and snailmail on or around November 6. You'll need to return your ballot by Nov. 16. To find out who won, join us aboard the *Iowa*.

On November 23, we will assemble in the parking off Harbor Drive facing the Port of Los Angeles's main ship channel at 9 AM and tour the *Iowa* for approximately two hours. At noon we'll cast off for a short drive to

our lunch spot, the iconic Joe Jost's in Long Beach.

We have a mechanism for purchasing discounted *Iowa* tickets online and will disseminate that information in an upcoming eblast. Bring cash for parking in San Pedro (\$1 per hour) and for lunch (pickled egg \$1.25, Joe's special polish sausage-swiss-rye sandwich \$3.05, schooners of beer \$3.95-\$6.05).

For your GPS: *U.S.S. Iowa*, Berth 61, 250 S. Harbor Blvd., San Pedro, CA 90731. Joe Jost's, 2803 E. Anaheim St., Long Beach, CA 90804. And of course visit both websites: www.pacific-battleship.com and www.joejosts.com to check out both venues.

Mark your calendars, watch your e-mail and post box. We want to see everybody at this very cool meeting!

— Elyse Barrett



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2013 AROSC Wine Tour is Oct. 19-20

Mark your calendars. Choose a roomy Alfa from the garage. The AROSC is returning to Santa Maria for our 10th Annual Wine Tour on October 19.

Our visit will be shortly after the region's annual harvest festival activities, so we can probably expect smaller crowds and more locals to chat with at the tasting counters.

The wineries in Santa Maria Valley and Los Olivos are under scrutiny by our event planner and an itinerary will be available soon.

We will be overnighing at the historic Santa Maria Inn in downtown Santa Maria and you are encouraged to come up early on Friday evening, October 18, so you are rested and



Yes, AROSC members are wine tour picnic pros! Right: Our Fearless Leader.



Wine tour camaraderie. All photos by Elyse Barrett.

ready to tour on Saturday after breakfast.

Please RSVP to Margi Brown-Orozco for further details.

Dates: October 19-20, 2013

Location: Santa Maria

Hotel: Santa Maria Inn

Wineries: Los Olivos and Santa Maria

More Info: Margi Brown-Orozco
margibrown@kernagency.com



Reservations: Call the Santa Maria Inn 805.928.7777, and give them the group name, "Alfa Romeo."

Pricing: Original Inn \$129/nt for Double Queen (20 rooms), or Tower \$159/nt for Double King (5 rooms).

JOIN US AT THE TRACK!

Next TT & Race at Willow Springs, Oct. 5-6

TIME TRIALS, RACING, DRIVING SCHOOLS, HIGH-PERFORMANCE DRIVER'S EDUCATION

Alfas encouraged but not required to participate. All marques are welcome!



TIME TRIALS/TIME ATTACK is a speed event similar to autocross, but run at higher speeds on a real racetrack with other cars. All drivers are trying to get their own best lap time. As part of our TT program we offer **HIGH-PERFORMANCE DRIVER'S ED** sessions, open to drivers of all ages and skill levels. New drivers must attend classroom sessions; no competition is involved.

RACING with AROSC is focused on having fun, competing with people driving cars with similar speed potential to see who can get to the finish line first. Car-to-car contact is not tolerated.



DRIVING SCHOOLS Our famous weekend school for beginners, novice and experienced time trialers, and wheel to wheel racers. Learn about your car and how to get the most out of it in a safe, structured environment. You might even get to meet a famous race car driver guest instructor!



Sign up for email notice of our upcoming track events! For more info see www.aorosc.org or www.aroschpd.org

Braille Rallye 2013— Rewarding for All!

AROSC again participated in the annual Braille Rallye, which benefits Los Angeles-based Braille Institute Youth Programs. All our drivers are enthusiastic supporters of this challenging event, described in a recent *Motor Trend* blog as “the blind leading the humbled.” Over 40 miles of L.A. streets, avenues and boulevards they drive and connect with young people who are helped to achieve their potential by the Braille Institute.

Il Presidente Mike Riehle trophied this year in Best of Large Print Readers, and was just an eyelash short of overall honors!

Thank you all for your support.

— Pat West



Mike Riehle and student/navigator Abraham Santiago, won the Best of Large Print Readers class with a total error of 6.64 minutes. Best time overall had an error of 6.57 minutes: Mike and Abraham were oh so close!



Dan Napier with Eva Arrellano, who had the third-best time for Braille Readers with a total error of 9.96 minutes. The Best of Braille Readers winner had an error of 7.68 minutes.



The "Thank you for Coming" category was headlined by Norm Silverman and his alumni navigator Tyrone Thompson. Their time was only 2 minutes slower than the winning alumni team.

OFFICIAL NOTICE

This is official notice to the AROSC membership that there will be a vote to amend the Bylaws at the October general meeting, which will be held on the Wine Tour, at the lunch stop in Santa Maria on October 19. The specific vote will be whether to amend Article V, Section 2, to reduce the number of board members from 10 to 9.

This proposal has the full support of the Board. Having one less board member means we will only need to have 5 board members present at board meetings for a quorum. Having an odd number of board members also means there is less chance of a tie vote.

By-Law Currently Reads:

Article V Section 2. MAKEUP AND TENURE OF THE BOARD.

The Board of Directors shall consist of ten members at large to be elected from the membership. Officers shall be elected by the Board from its membership. Each Director shall hold office until the next annual meeting of members and until his successor shall have been elected and qualified. No member of the Board shall be engaged in management, sales, or distribution of Alfa Romeo automobiles during his term in office.

Proposed change to the By-Law is boldfaced and underlined:

Article V Section 2. MAKEUP AND TENURE OF THE BOARD.

The Board of Directors shall consist of **nine members** at large to be elected from the membership. Officers shall be elected by the Board from its membership. Each Director shall hold office until the next annual meeting of members and until his successor shall have been elected and qualified. No member of the Board shall be engaged in management, sales, or distribution of Alfa Romeo automobiles during his term in office.

Rationale for the change: Due to the large geography of the AROSC Club it is hard to find enough members willing to travel the distance to Board meetings.

Classified – Cars For Sale

CARSON CAR HAULER TRAILER – 18 foot with cargo box. Wired for winch. Tire rack. Tandem axle with electric brakes and new tires. Excellent trailer for racing, track day events or Tour de LeMons. \$1800 obo. paulmartin9@cox.net or call 714.299.1558.

1987 Milano Gold – Cosmetically challenged beater, ridiculously reliable. Good recent headliner and re-stuffed driver's seat. No AC, sticking front windows, typically leaky power steering, passed smog last year by a wide margin. Speedo/odo not working since 11/99. Was my DD, now a project, and I don't need two. Any offer considered. Will, 626.345.9659 or nashwill912@earthlink.net (Pasadena).

Classified (non-commercial) Advertising

Classified ads are published as a free service to the Alfa Romeo community. Suggested length 60 words; include price, location, contact info. Photos must be in-focus, medium-resolution (300ppi) JPEGs. Alfa-related only! Deadline is the 25th of the month prior to publication (e.g., March issue = January 25).

Commercial Advertising

Please contact Advertising Coordinator Jim Barrett at info@arosc.org for a detailed rate card and complete advertising information.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Alfa Romeo Owners of Southern California

Dues for a one-year membership in the Alfa Romeo Owners of Southern California (AROSC) and the Alfa Romeo Owners Club - US (AROC) are \$70. Please fill in the information blanks in this form, clip and mail with your check, payable to Alfa Romeo Owners Club, to Alfa Romeo Owners Club, P.O. Box 12340, Kansas City, MO 64116-3040. You may also join online using your credit card by visiting aroc-usa.org, or by telephoning 877.399.2762.

NAME _____ SPOUSE _____

STREET _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ WORK PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____ ALFA(S) OWNED _____

AROC MEMBER # (IF APPLICABLE) _____ CHECK ENCLOSED FOR \$ _____

Affiliation/Subscription

Non-AROC members, automobile enthusiasts, industry friends and special associates may subscribe to *Affionada* for \$20 per year, and attend meetings and events. To become an affiliate/subscriber, or renew your affiliation/subscription, send this form with a check payable to AROSC to AROSC Treasurer, 27152 Paseo Del Este, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675

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Our 2013 Calendar of Events

September

7 Fall Day Drive and General Meeting. A redux to last year's spring version, San Fernando Valley to Ojai, without the snow!
21-22 Coronado Speed Festival, San Diego. Vintage racing action, stroll the beach, share good times with Club members.

October

5-6 Time Trial and Race, Willow Springs International Raceway, Rosamond.
19-20 Wine Tour, Santa Maria/Los Olivos. Wineries to be announced.

November

3 Best of France & Italy, Woodley Park, Van Nuys
16-17 Event type TBD, Streets of Willow, Rosamond
23 Election Meeting: U.S.S. Iowa tour, San Pedro; lunch at Joe Jost's in Long Beach.

December

14 Holiday Party at the Club-house.