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Southern California



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*Avanti
e Verso
l'Auto!*

**Presidents'
Message**

Happy Summer!

It's High Season, and how are you enjoying your Vacation Plan? Instead of sharing our usual pearls of wisdom as is the custom, this month's column is a series of questions.

Are you aware that our favorite marque celebrated its 115th birthday in June?

Where are you on vacation right now? Or where would you like to be vacationing?

What are you avoiding? What is your distance limit? What else have you chosen to never do again? What is your limit for crowds?

And how about those "AROC Goes to Italy" tours? Are you already signed up for next year? The tour always includes being present at



the start of the Mille Miglia in Brescia – an *Alfista's* bucket list item, for sure.

How are all of your AlfaS ('cuz you *do* have more than one, right?) running right now? Are they ready for the

driving tours coming up this summer and fall?

If you are shopping for a 20th century Alfa, which model are you considering? The new plug-in Tonale? A Tributo Italiano Giulia, Stelvio or Tonale?

Could your fellow members help you with a service issue? Our huge chapter has an amazing number of experienced Alfa "wrenches" who can fix our cars. Don't be shy; ask questions!!

Are you sensible enough to already have signed up for the 2025 AROC National



Convention in Chicago during mid-September? Some activities are still open; shouldn't you find out about them now?

Did you know that your chapter has a vacancy on its Board of Directors? Join the leadership of this chapter and make a difference. Nominations are open and voting for this year's election will take place November 1-10.

What else do you want to know about Your Club?

What event would you suggest for us?

Now's the time to think about tomorrow and the fun we can have in 2026.

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– Jim & Elyse Barrett
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July 26th

Summer Party

SOLD OUT!***Get on the wait list.***

We've met our maximum of 50 sign-ups for this year's AROSC Summer Party and registration has closed. However, there is a waiting list forming. Get your name on that list by emailing event.questions@arosc.org today. When a vacancy occurs, the next attendee will be accepted in the order their request was received.

The details of the event remain the same.**When:** July 26th, 12:00PM to 4:00PM**How:** Admission – Sign Up & Pay using this [ClubExpress Link](#) by July 16th!

After opening that link, "click Member Login" in the upper right hand part of the screen before beginning to register. Attendance is limited to 50 AROSC members.

How Much: \$40 per person via the [ClubExpress Link](#). Plus cash or checks for the auction.**Where:** Jeff & Margaret Srinivasan's home in Moorpark, Ventura County (address, driving and parking instructions provided after you sign up)**What:** Lunch by Woodstock Farina (Wood-Fired Pizza), served 12:30PM to 2:00PM**What More:** Dessert Potluck and BYO Adult Beverages.**What Else:** Garage Goodies Auction! Bring cash or personal checks.**Questions?** Email us at event.questions@arosc.org

Lunch will be wood-fired pizzas cooked onsite by and served with a fresh green salad.

Consider participating in the dessert potluck and bringing your favorite adult beverages to share. Also, we have a pool, and you are welcome to take a dip. Bring your towels and swimming costumes.

And don't forget the Garage Goodies/Alfa Treasures Auction. All manner of Alfa ephemera, parts, automobilia and house-made specialties are welcome. **Bring cash and/or personal checks to participate.**

Email event.questions@arosc.org if you have questions and/or wish to get on the waiting list.

– Jeff & Margaret

Election & Nominations Notice

We need your participation November 1-10

AROSC is looking for a few good tour organizers and party planners to help the Board of Directors steer this chapter in the right direction.

This is your official notice that nominations are open for the gang of nine who make this club go, and we will be emailing ballots for our annual election on November 1st.

Basically, this club is about playing with our cars, so event-runners are in held in high esteem! If you have favorite

activity among those we do each year, how about pitching in to run one of them? If you have ideas about different things to do – tech sessions? book club meetups? F1 watch parties? inspirational speakers – come aboard and make them happen!

Raise your hand or nominate a pal by contacting your Board at info@arosc.org by October 15th.

You'll be glad you did!



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AROSC'S geographical reach finds us on the roads from Santa Barbara to San Diego all year, yet in high summer, many of us hie off too Monterey Car Week, leaving the stay-at-homes with time on their hands.

Because we aspire to a regional balance among our driving events (we will have been to Palos Verdes, L.A., Hollywood, Santa Ynez, Huntington Beach, and are heading to Moorpark in a couple of weeks). So, on August 17th we're going on a magical history tour in search of Orange County's namesake – orange groves!

It will be a good excuse to locate and celebrate whatever we have left of the grand plantations of yesteryear.

We will meet early and follow a fun series of scenic loops with stops to take in the views, stretch our legs and appreciate what we find.

The morning will conclude at a luncheon table somewhere golden.

Please save the date, August 17th, and watch your emails for details.

– Elyse & Jim Barrett

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Concorso #2

A Walk in the Park!



AROSC's 2025 Concorso #2, part of the 39th annual Huntington Beach Concours d'Elegance, was held on June 8th. Under mild sunshine, the lawn of HB's Central Park featured 17 beautiful Alfas – our biggest turnout ever for this venue in this century. The number and quality of AROSC Concorso entrants continues to grow. Twelve cars were judged, while five were display-only, and there was a total of seven first-time participants. Given that the Petersen-Machinissima event occurred at the same time, our strong turnout is notable.

A single AROSC set of judges did the judging; as classified by AROSC Club Concorso rules, and those scores determined the AROSC ribbon winners. Those same scores were also applied to the slightly different HB Concours classes, resulting in some different/additional and totally worthy winners recognized in that event.

In many classes, the competition for ribbons was razor-close, and judging such fine machines was challenging. HB Concours first place winners received a congratulatory drive past the



Our Alfa class corner brought European sportscar cool to the Huntington Beach Concours d'Elegance with 17 cars on the green. It was great to have so many new members participate (and win!) at this event.

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Winning isn't everything, but it sure feels good! Our Concorso #2 champs are (L-R): Pat Terrisse, Classic Street; Steve Cole, Classic Closed and Best of Show; David O'Donoghue, Classic Open; Larry Guzin, Modern and new member Bob van Schoonenberg, People's Choice,

announcer's platform, Mother's gift certificate, plus a vanity photograph as they accepted their trophy – a great way to finish a beautiful day!

Hearty thank-yous go out to all our participants, and especially our hard-working judges: Jeff Srinivasan, Robert Jackson, Hal Croulet, and yours truly.

Our season-ending Concorso #3 will be held in September – so put another coat of wax on your Alfa and keep an eye out for the date and location!

– David O'Donoghue

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Congratulations to the HB Concours Alfa Romeo Class Winners (L-R): Dan Iorgulescu's GTV, Larry Guzin's 4C, Steve Cole's Alfetta GT and Pat Terrisse's Spider Veloce.

AROSC Concorso Winners

Classic Street

1. Pat Terrisse, 1978 Spider Veloce
2. Dan Iorgulescu, 1971 GTV 1750
3. Paul Blankenship, 1967 Duetto Spider

Classic Closed

1. Steve Cole, 1977 Alfetta GT
2. Bob van Schoonenberg, 1969 GTV

Classic Open

1. David & Roseann O'Donoghue, 1984 Spider Veloce
2. Hal Croulet Jr., 1996 916 Spider
3. Roberto Quadrelli, 1984 Spider Veloce

Modern

1. Larry Guzin, 2015 4C
2. Robert & Allyson Jackson, 2017 Giulia
3. Mike "Boz" Bozarth, 2018 4C Spider

Best of Show

Steve Cole, 1977 Alfetta GT

People's Choice

Bob van Schoonenberg, 1969 GTV

Huntington Beach Concours Alfa Romeo Class Results

06A (Classic Open) Concours

1. David & Roseann O'Donoghue, 1984 Spider Veloce
2. Hal Croulet, 1996 916 Spider
3. Roberto Quadrelli, 1984 Spider Veloce

06A (Classic Open) Street

1. Pat Terrisse, 1978 Spider Veloce
2. Paul Blankenship, 1967 Duetto Spider

06B (Classic Closed) Concours

1. Steve Cole, 1977 Alfetta GT
2. Bob van Schoonenberg, 1969 GTV

06B (Classic Closed) Street

1. Dan Iorgulescu, 1971 GTV 1750

06C (Modern) Concours

1. Larry Guzin, 2015 4C
2. Mike "Boz" Bozarth, 2018 4C Spider

06C (Modern) Street

1. Robert & Allyson Jackson, 2017 Giulia
2. Brad Geving, 2015 4C Coupe



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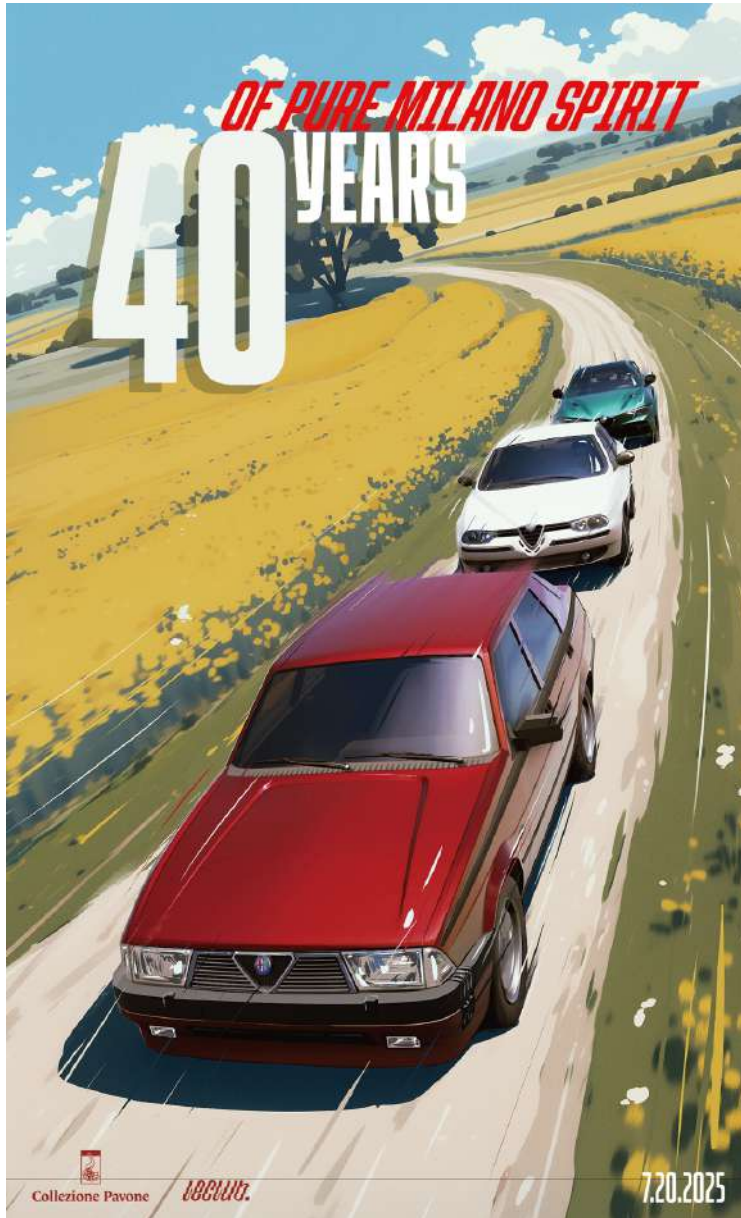
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July 20th

Happy Birthday, Milano



We're excited to announce a special gathering to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Alfa Romeo 75/Milano — a car that marked the end of an era and continues to embody the spirit of Milano.

This will be a meaningful celebration of Alfa Romeo history, with a special focus on the 75 and the sports sedans that followed. All Alfa Romeo and Italian car owners are warmly invited to attend.

If you own an Alfa Romeo 75/Milano, please reach out so we can include your car in our curated display area at the event.

Date: Sunday, July 20, 2025

Location: 2058 Broadway, Santa Monica, CA 90404

Time: 7:30a.m. - 10:00a.m.

To attend, please RSVP in advance using the link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/40-years-of-milano-spirit-tickets-1407721515949?aff=oddtcreator>

Registration helps us plan parking and display logistics — thank you!

Special thanks to the AROSC Board of Directors for their generous support of this celebration.

— With Milano Spirit, Hiram Wang

On behalf of LeClub.

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For our 2025 Spring Drive, we gathered at Legends Classic Diner, a themed restaurant on historic Route 66 in the foothill town of Glendora. Many our gang of 30 topped off their tanks with a filling breakfast. It was a beautiful day with mild temperatures and majestic clouds in the sky.

Shortly after beginning our drive, we made a photo stop at the local landmark "Big Tree", a fig tree planted in the 1880s. We then made our way up the twisty roads of the San Gabriel Mountains making a stop by the reservoir for car portraits.

Clockwise from left:
Xiao's 4C is appreciated by all. It was great to see David's blue Berlina out and about. Melanie and Allen ascended the precipice above the reservoir at the photo-op stop. Our eclectic Alfa mix takes to the roads of the San Gabriel Mountains.



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Clockwise from top, all shot at Legends Classic Diner on Route 66: Steve runs the drivers' meeting. Our space for breakfast featured unique seating. Susan, John, John and Harry have another cuppa. Pat, John and Harry review his Spider's unique powerplant. Classic and new AROSC cars at Legends. Paul and Mario chat with Steve at breakfast.

Our turnaround point, at an elevation of 6,000 feet in the Crystal Lake Recreational Area, was a perfect place for deep breathing and pine tree appreciation, then another photo op in the camp's charming, rustic 20th century Civilian Conservation Corps-built amphitheater.

The descent down the hill led us to our lunch destination at the Glendora Public Market, a food hall inside a repurposed 1940s Wonder Bread bakery with a variety of vendors. With so many choices, everyone was able to find something to suit their taste.

– Steve Edelman

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Clockwise from left: Big Tree in Glendora is really B-I-G! We circle the wagons at Crystal Lake. Tamika, Steven and pup take a fresh-air walk. Val, Jim and Andrew discuss. Brad's black 4C gleams. Yes, the CHP did slow down and got on their loud-speaker to ask us where we were going. Duh? We gathered in the amphitheater before our descent to lunch. Thanks, Steve for a great drive!



The Members' Page(s)

Welcome & Welcome Back

Greetings, Everyone!

Please join your Board of Directors in applauding the good taste of these Alfa Romeo owners who joined AROSC between April and June: Madeline Cash, Timothy Jones, Andrew Leeson, Jonathan Newman and Abraham Shrekenhamer.

Come drive with us – soon!



The Charles Schwartz Memorial Scholarship

Early this spring, the AROC Historical & Educational Foundation established a scholarship in honor of our chapter leader and beloved bon vivant, Charlie Schwartz.

As you plan your annual giving, consider this fund, earmarked reserved for students of any age wishing to enroll in classes emphasizing repair/rebuilding engines or bodywork, and specialize in Alfa Romeos, old or new.



A formal website for the Foundation with the scholarship page is under construction, but club members can use this link to donate.
<https://www.aroc-usa.org/aroc-historical-educational-foundation/>

"Charlie lived and breathed Alfa Romeos from an early age," said Bonnie, "so he would love it if those wishing to remember him supported the Club."

Pals in Print – SoCal's Got Talent!



Congratulations to David Ballantine for his back-cover debut in the national magazine. April's *Alfa Owner* was graced by a beauty of a beauty shot of his Alfetta Sport Sedan in Palm Springs during this year's AROC Winter Retreat. Good eye, David.



Put your hands together for David Waleder (photographer) and Lee Harris (owner) and this Alfa Romeo 1900C SS Ghia Agile, whose collaboration during the AROSC Concorso #1 at the Petersen became the centerfold of the June *Alfa Owner*. Yes, our chapter has some awesome cars.

Mille Grazie to all our member-contributors, whose stories and images make this July-August edition of *Alfacionada* a cool summer treat and the best communications vehicle for our Chapter: David Waelder, Hiram Wang, Jeff Srinivasan, David O'Donoghue, Steve Edelman, Paul Blankenship and David Ballantine.

Classified Ads

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As the old saying goes, better to have it and not need it, than need it and not have it. This is spare I bought to make me truly run flat safe. It is a lovely smokey gray Alfa alloy. It came mounted on a new/never used Pirelli tire. I kept that for my new spare wheel that matches the four that came with my car. But until I found that, this has ridden in the trunk of my previous and my current Giulias. Never had to put it on the car ... which is the whole point. This will work as a spare for 17-, 18-, and 19-inch Alfa wheels since the circumferences and diameters are when wearing the correct size tires, are within fractions of an inch of each other. \$225. No tax or other stuff.

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Email your concerns and questions about events, policies and procedures to info@arosc.org and a Director will respond.

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