

Romeo & Giulietta

2012 Kick-Off Meeting

We held our January kick-off meeting at the Old Spaghetti Factory in San Marcos. It proved to be a good venue. We had the back room to ourselves and the wait staff



accommodated our requests for small group checks. We had a good sized crowd of Alfisti, 32 adults, including 3 new members, and 2 kids (Alfisti in training). It was nice to see Fred Zimmermann, a former member who was careful to point out that he still owns an Alfa, which both he and his son Richard raced for many years. Hey Fred, it is time to "re-up"! We old timers miss you.

The discussion of the 2012 calendar of events was lively and several people volunteered to be event organizers. Sean Russell will organize the April South San Diego driving tour. Glenna Garrett will host the March Chili Cook-off. Bruce Colby and Happy Timberlake will host the June Pasta Cook-off. Bill Griffith will organize an Escondido Wine tour in July. Lance and Jennifer Dong will host the October Fest in September. Morgan Langley and Sean Russell will organize an overnight tour in October to the Santa Ynez Valley with a possible stop en route at the Mullin Art Deco Auto Museum in Oxnard. Since this is much farther afield than our

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A big thank you to the board members who participated in the phone tree and helped make the kick-off meeting a big success. Thanks also to all the members who turned out and participated in the lively discussion of the 2012 calendar of events and to the several people who volunteered to be event organizers.

A feedback item from the phone calls is that we have been holding too many activities in the north county. Some members in the metropolitan San Diego area feel left out. We will have to work on that this year. We would like to find a meeting room in San Diego where we could bring in pizza and have a general meeting with a program. One option is to join the San Diego Auto Museum (cost \$500/year) which would allow us to use one of their upstairs



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LA JOLLA CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE

THE JEWEL & THE CONCOURS

The La Jolla Concours d'Elegance features various types of fine automobile gems. Past years have showcased horseless carriages, Italian marques, British marques, woodies, 50s classics, American sports cars (with a salute to GM on their 100th anniversary), and the automobiles of Carroll Shelby. Spectators from all over the nation come to the breathtaking shores of La Jolla to view their favorite classics. This year, the La Jolla Concours d'Elegance is back with Italian automobiles to illustrate again that if diamonds are forever, then cars are timeless.

The La Jolla Concours d'Elegance provides essential funds to the La Jolla Historical Society as well as the Monarch School.

VOLUNTEERS

The La Jolla Concours d'Elegance is recruiting volunteers to assist with various jobs on the day of the show. These are the people that support the La Jolla Historical Society with their time and energy, and they are greatly appreciated. **Contact Sean Russell seanrussell01@gmail.com**

Sunday April 1, 2012

Volunteer applications are being accepted for the following jobs:

ADMISSIONS

Gate/Merchandise Cashiers to sell tickets, dispense wrist bands and distribute programs.

Cashier supervisors handling receipts.

Information Booth

Three shifts with first shift beginning at 8:30am. Final shift ends at 3:30pm.

SHOW CAR PLACEMENT

Assist with the placement of the exhibiting cars and motorcycles on the concours field. Direct drivers where to go as they arrive to ensure the safety and accuracy of the field.

Two hour shifts begin at 5:30am.

MORNING CAR CORRAL & CLUB PARKING

Direct drivers to car corral and car club parking areas along the street outside of the judged concours show area.

One shift beginning at 5:30am.

MOTORCYCLES

Assist with the placement of motorcycles on the field.

One shift beginning at 5:30am.

SECURITY

Entry Gates

VIP area entry

Perimeter Fence

Three shifts with first shift beginning at 8:30am. Final shift ends at 3:30pm.

VIP EVENTS

Sat Night Reception

Sunday VIP lounge

La Jolla CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE

EIGHTH ANNUAL

LA JOLLA CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE

AT THE COVE

SUNDAY • APRIL 1, 2012

FEATURED EVENTS

BOOK SIGNING FRIDAY MARCH 30, 2012	CAR TOUR SATURDAY MARCH 31, 2012	VIP EVENING RECEPTION SATURDAY MARCH 31, 2012	CONCOURS SUNDAY APRIL 1, 2012
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Exhibitors: Register by February 15, 2012 at LaJollaConcours.com or call 619.233.5008

This spectacular event at the La Jolla Cove features over 150 cars plus a tribute to the art of restoration.

TICKETS: \$35 in advance, \$40 at the event. LaJollaConcours.com or 619.233.5008

FEATURED MARQUE: ITALIAN
LaJollaConcours.com

Proceeds from the event benefit the La Jolla Historical Society and the Monarch School.

WHEREVER NEEDED

Check in volunteers

Guard trophies

Fill in wherever there is a need.

Two shifts.

Free admission is granted to all volunteers.

THANK YOU ~ The La Jolla Concours d'Elegance Volunteer Committee

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overnighters in the past, we may have a chase truck with auto trailer in case of a mechanical problem. We need someone to host the Christmas party, preferably someone who lives in San Diego since several of our other social events are scheduled in the North County. We hope to have several evening meetings in the San Diego area with a car related program. This, however, will depend on the club locating a suitable venue.



NEW MEMBER PROFILE DARIUS SCHNEIDER



I am 32 years old and pretty new to San Diego and to Alfa. I got my MD from the medical school of the University of Frankfurt (Germany) in 2004 and my PhD from the Max-Planck-Institute at the University of Giessen

(Germany) in 2007. During the last 6 years I have worked as a resident in medicine and endocrinology at the University Hospital of Heidelberg (Germany). I finished my residency with the board specialty exam for medicine and endocrinology in December 2010. I moved to the US in March 2011, as a grantee of the NIH, to work on a scientific research project at the La Jolla Institute for Allergy and Immunology (LIAI), in the field of autoimmune diseases, mainly Type 1 Diabetes. I have a long lasting love affair with everything Italian: I started collecting Italian hand lever espresso machines from the 50s and 60s prior to owning Italian cars (there are many similarities between Italian espresso machines and Italian cars!). My first Italian car was a Fiat 850 Spider, which I bought in non running condition in Encinitas, immediately after moving to the US, and which I put back on the sunny streets of Southern California. Since June 2011, I have owned an Alfa Romeo

Giulia 101 Spider, that I am currently restoring cosmetically. I bought the car from a guy, whom I met at a congress up in Berkeley. Back in Germany, I used to drive old Mercedes-Benz and was a dedicated member of the Mercedes Benz club. I am looking forward to having a good time with the Alfisti of San Diego!

NEW MEMBER PROFILE LESLEY MESSANO

Lesley grew up in a “car family” in the Palos Verdes area of Los Angeles. Both her father and brothers owned Alfas. Lesley has owned her 1989 Spider Veloce for 8 years. She is the manager of the Applebee’s restaurant in San Marcos. Lesley loves the ocean and lives near the beach in Oceanside. Perhaps her love of the ocean is due to the fact that she lived on a boat for several years in her youth. Besides driving her Alfa, she enjoys spending time with her two dogs. She is looking forward to the club driving events, car shows and social event meetings.

On January 21 the club was invited to show some of our classic Alfas in conjunction with the Fiat-Lancia club at local television station, KUSI. The event was to celebrate the opening of the new Kearney Mesa FIAT Studio. Club members Andrew Paolini, Sean Russell, Dave DeRosier, Morgan Langley and Bob Gaukel brought their Alfas to show off.





CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2012

*(Bold Items Are General Membership Events
Sponsored by AROSCD)*

JANUARY

11 WED General Meeting

21-22 Sat-Sun AROC SC
Driver Ed, Time Trial,
Willow

25 Thur BOD Meeting

**28 Sat Driving tour North
County Palomar Mountain
to Julian, Lunch
(Organizer: Ed Aenlle)**

FEBRUARY

**11 Sat Tech Session on
Brakes and General
Meeting at Rathmann
Autoworks, coffee &
donuts**

18-19 [AROSC Driving
School](#), Streets of Willow,
Willow Springs Raceway,
Rosamond, CA

24-26 Sun [Desert Classic
Concours d'Elegance](#),
Rancho Mirage

29 Thur BOD Meeting

MARCH

**3 Sat Chili Cook-off &
General Meeting at
Glenna's (Organizer:
Glenna Garrett)**

**17 Sat Drive to Petersen
Museum with AROSC**

29 Thur BOD Meeting

31-1 Sat-Sun AROSC Driver
Ed, Time Trial, Race,
Willow Springs

APRIL

1 Sun [La Jolla Concours
d'Elegance](#)

**11 General Meeting -
Dinner - Sizzler Murphy
Canyon (San Diego)**

26 Thur BOD Meeting

**29 Sun Drive to East/
South county, possible
visit to Puhn Garage
(organizer: Sean Russell)**

MAY

**9 Dinner Meeting-
Location TBD**

**19 Sat San Diego Bay
Cruise**

31 Thur BOD Meeting

JUNE

3 Sun Huntington Beach
Concours, AROSC

**10 Sun Pasta Cook-off and
General Meeting- La Mesa
(organizers: Sean Russell)**

17-20 AROC National
Convention

28 Thur BOD Meeting

**30 Sat Morning drive to
SD Auto Museum**

JULY

**11 Dinner and Movie -
[Parioli 647 S. Highway 101,
Solana Beach](#)**

**22 Sun Escondido Winery
tour/Picnic, visit Rosenau
garage (Organizer: Bill &
Hillary Griffith)**

26 Thur BOD Meeting

AUGUST

**11 Cars & Coffee Rancho
Santa Fe. Pool/Beach
Party with General
Meeting**

16-19 Monterey Week,
Concorso Italiano, The
Quail, Concorso de
Lemons, Pebble Beach

30 Thur BOD Meeting

SEPTEMBER

**8-9 Sat/Sun Willow
Springs 40 year
anniversary celebration,
Alfas will participate from
all over the country**

**15 Sat OktoberFest,
Annual Auction, General
Meeting (Organizer: Lance
& Jennifer Dong)**

**22-23 Sat-Sun Coronado
Speed Festival- North
Island**

27 Thur BOD Meeting

OCTOBER

3 Wed General Meeting

**13-14 Sat-Sun Overnight
Drive to Santa Ynez Valley
with stop at Mullin Auto
Museum in Oxnard
(Organizers: Morgan
Langley & Sean Russell)**

25 Thur BOD Meeting

**27 Sat Cars and Coffee, SD
Auto Museum**

NOVEMBER

4 Sun [Best of France &
Italy](#), Woodley Park, Encino

**14 Wed General Meeting-
location TBD**

17-18 Sat-Sun AROSC
Driving School , Willow
Springs

24 Sat Cars & coffee

29 Thur BOD Meeting

DECEMBER

**16 Christmas Party,
General Meeting &
Election of Officers-
Location TBD**

27 Thur BOD Meeting

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meeting rooms. Another option would be to find a meeting room at a park or in a condo or apartment complex that we could use for free or a minimal cost. Do any of our San Diego Metro area members live in a complex with a meeting room? If so, please shoot me an email.

One fact that was loud and clear at the kickoff meeting is that the members want more driving events. Alfas are great fun to drive on twisty roads, which abound in the county. Ed Aenlle, our vice president and event chairman, has scheduled 8 tentative driving events this year and several cars and coffee events which could also include a drive. So get your Alfa tuned up and ready for the road.

I would like to welcome our three new members who came to the kick-off meeting: Lesley Messano, James Jordan and Darius Schneider. Some short member profiles are included in this newsletter. Let's all try to get to know them at upcoming events and make them feel welcome.

Alfa Romeo Owners Club Membership Application

Name _____ Spouse _____

Address _____

City / State / Zip _____

Telephone: (H) _____
(W) _____

Do you wish to affiliate with the local chapter nearest you? _____

Note: Some chapters charge additional local dues

How did you hear about AROC? _____

Please indicate your interests:

Technical Vintage cars Autocross Track events

Tours Social Rally Concours

National Dues: \$60.00 per year
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¼ Page	75.00	140.00
½ Page	130.00	235.00
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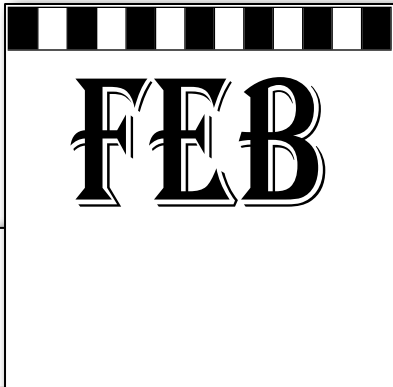
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AROCSD Merchandise Now Available

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12	13	14	15	16	17	18 Driving School Streets of Willow
19 Driving School Streets of Willow	20	21	22	23 AROC SD Board Meeting	24	25
26 Desert Classic Weekend Rancho Mirage	27	28	29			