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## President's Page

Winter is now upon us, however the Club is still moving forward with a variety of activities organised by key members. These include Competition, Displays, Drives and Social events.

The major event for the month of May was the Club's *Annual Awards Night*. This was held at the Veneto Club after the usual monthly Club Night meeting. Food and drink were supplied in a relaxed atmosphere as a lead up to the awards presentation hosted by our Vice President Bruno Colautti. The night was well attended with Leon Cottle assisting Mary Colautti with photography, and our Patron, David Wright, assisting in the presentation. Thanks to all award and trophy winners for their contribution to the Club.

The month's activities started with the *Sandown Super Sprint* (Round 2) with midday parade laps.

Mid-month was the Goldfields Chapter's *Drive to Summerfield Winery* in the Pyrenees, via a mid-morning stop at the Talbot Farmers' Market. An unprecedented number of members attended this event (see Leon's report below), while on the same day was a *Club Drive* to [M-O-V-E](#) near Shepparton.

In June, the first activity will be the *Strada Veloce Tour* in Gippsland based in Bairnsdale. This will include day drives to Maffra and Marlo.

**June Club Night** will be on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>**. Club Nights are held at the **Veneto Club** in Bulleen and commence **at 8:00pm**. Check the web site for details. I look forward to seeing you at Club Night.

A *New Members' Breakfast* will be held on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June at Brunetti Classico in Lygon Street and the following week we have *Sim Racing* in Keysborough.

Further planning has taken place and a tentative booking has now been made for our annual Spettacolo Show & Shine and Concorso, with new Preservation and Modified classes. But more on that soon.

The revised website and Membership Portal is now well established and has been most successful. Our PR manager, Carlo Santoro, has reviewed our Facebook account and will update us on future changes.

I would also like to welcome three Club members who have recently volunteered their assistance:

**Joseph Millwood** is our new ClubShop manager and can be contacted via email:  
[ClubShop@AlfaClubVic.org.au](mailto:ClubShop@AlfaClubVic.org.au)

**Paul Augello** is our new Advertising manager and can be contacted via email:  
[Advertising@AlfaClubVic.org.au](mailto:Advertising@AlfaClubVic.org.au)

**Gerard Heijden** will be looking after the Club Archive and Historical Documentation.

However, we are still seeking volunteers to act as Register Captains for the:

**939 Register** (159, Brera & Spider)

**GTA Register** (147, 156 & Giulia GTAs & GTAm)

Please contact me if you would like to assist with one of these roles, or if you would like to volunteer to help with planning a Sunday Drive, Club activity or help out at Club Competition events.

### Otherwise

Check the [calendar](#) on the Club's website for new and updated events. You will also find information on Club events on the Club's [Facebook](#) page, and in the Club's quarterly magazine [Cross + Serpent](#).

John Hanslow, President, AROCA Victoria

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## Around the traps

### Situation Vacant

### 939 Register Captain

(159, Brera & Spider)

The Club is seeking a volunteer to manage the 939 Register which includes 159, Brera and Spider portfolio. This is a prime position for any owner or enthusiast of these models that are part of the 939 Series sold in Australia from 2006-2011.

As a Register captain, the Club would expect you to promote the model as required to the benefit of member's needs- you do not have to be a mechanic but a basic knowledge of the series is desirable.

Key role requirements:

- Reach out to 939 series owners in the Club
- Work with other register captains with the running of a Sunday Morning Drive
- Work with the Register Co-Ordinator to help organize our Spettacolo annual car show.

For more information about this important opportunity, please contact:

Peter Chambers M: 0488 195 771 E: [Secretary@alfaclubvic.org.au](mailto:Secretary@alfaclubvic.org.au)



Photo: Phil Goodwin (AROCA NSW)



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## **Situation Vacant**

### **147 GTA & 156 GTA Register Captain**

Our Club is seeking a volunteer to manage our 147 GTA and 156 GTA Register portfolio. This is a great position for any owner or enthusiast of these unique models. These were sold in Australia from 2002 to 2006.

As a Register Captain, the Club would expect you to promote the model as required to the benefit of member's needs - you do not have to be a mechanic but a basic knowledge of the series is desirable.

Key role requirements:

- Reach out to the owners in the Club
- Work with other Register Captains with the running of a Club Drives
- Work with the Register Co-Ordinator to help organize our annual Spettacolo Show & Shine.

For more information about this important opportunity, please contact the Register Coordinator:

Graeme Peake M: 0411 184 699

E: [RegisterCoordinator@AlfaClubVic.org.au](mailto:RegisterCoordinator@AlfaClubVic.org.au)



156 GTA photo: L Cottle



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## Club Shop

by Joseph Millwood

AROCA's Club Shop is having a one-off CLEARANCE SALE of some large sized garments!  
There are limited numbers of these items, so be quick, they probably won't last long at these prices.

**I (love) My Alfa (2XL) T-shirts @ \$10 each** – note there are two different designs



**Alfa Romeo logo (XL) Tank top @ \$10**



**Alfa Club Winton 10hour race (2XL) Polo shirt @ \$15**



Contact: **Joseph**, ClubShop Manager

M: 0451781947

E: [ClubShop@AlfaClubVic.org.au](mailto:ClubShop@AlfaClubVic.org.au)



**AROCA Vic Public Relations**

**by Carlo Santoro**

## How to Join the AROCA WhatsApp Community Group

**Android Users:** (See below for iOS/Apple users)

**Step 1:** Download WhatsApp from Google Play Store:

Find the Play Store icon on your home screen or app drawer. It looks like a multi-coloured triangle. Tap to open.

Search for WhatsApp:

In the search bar at the top, type "WhatsApp" and press the search icon.

Install WhatsApp:

Find the app named "WhatsApp Messenger" by WhatsApp LLC. Tap the "Install" button. The app will download and install automatically.

Open WhatsApp:

Once installed, tap the "Open" button in the Play Store or find the WhatsApp icon (a green speech bubble with a white phone) on your home screen and tap to open.

### Step 2: Set Up WhatsApp

Agree to Terms and Conditions:

Tap "Agree and Continue" on the welcome screen.

Enter Your Phone Number:

Enter your phone number and tap "Next". WhatsApp will send you a verification code via SMS. Enter the code when you receive it.

Set Up Your Profile:

Enter your name and, if you want, set a profile picture by tapping on the camera icon. Tap "Next" to continue.

### Step 3: Join the WhatsApp Community Group

Open the Invitation Link: (See Below)

Tap on the link you received. It will open WhatsApp and take you to the community group invitation screen.

Join the Group:

On the invitation screen, tap the "Join Group" button.

Confirmation:

You will see a confirmation message, and the group's chat will open automatically.

*Instructions for iOS & Apple are on the next page.*



## How to Join the AROCA WhatsApp Community Group

### iOS/Apple Users:

#### Step 1: Download WhatsApp

Open App Store:

Find the App Store icon on your home screen. It looks like a blue square with a white "A" made of popsicle sticks. Tap to open.

Search for WhatsApp:

Tap the search icon at the bottom right, type "WhatsApp" in the search bar, and press the search button.

Install WhatsApp:

Find the app named "WhatsApp Messenger" by WhatsApp Inc. Tap the "Get" button, then "Install". You may need to enter your Apple ID password or use Face ID/Touch ID. The app will download and install automatically.

Open WhatsApp:

Once installed, tap the "Open" button in the App Store or find the WhatsApp icon (a green speech bubble with a white phone) on your home screen and tap to open.

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This is the group link - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/KpDpDyUPhNA1Tew1PZc92r>

Scan the QR code (at right) from you phone camera to connect you to the group.



**Carlo Santoro** Public Relations AROCA Victoria M: 0418 350 105

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## Recent events

Another 4,000km cruise in the Alfa Giulia

Early April 2024

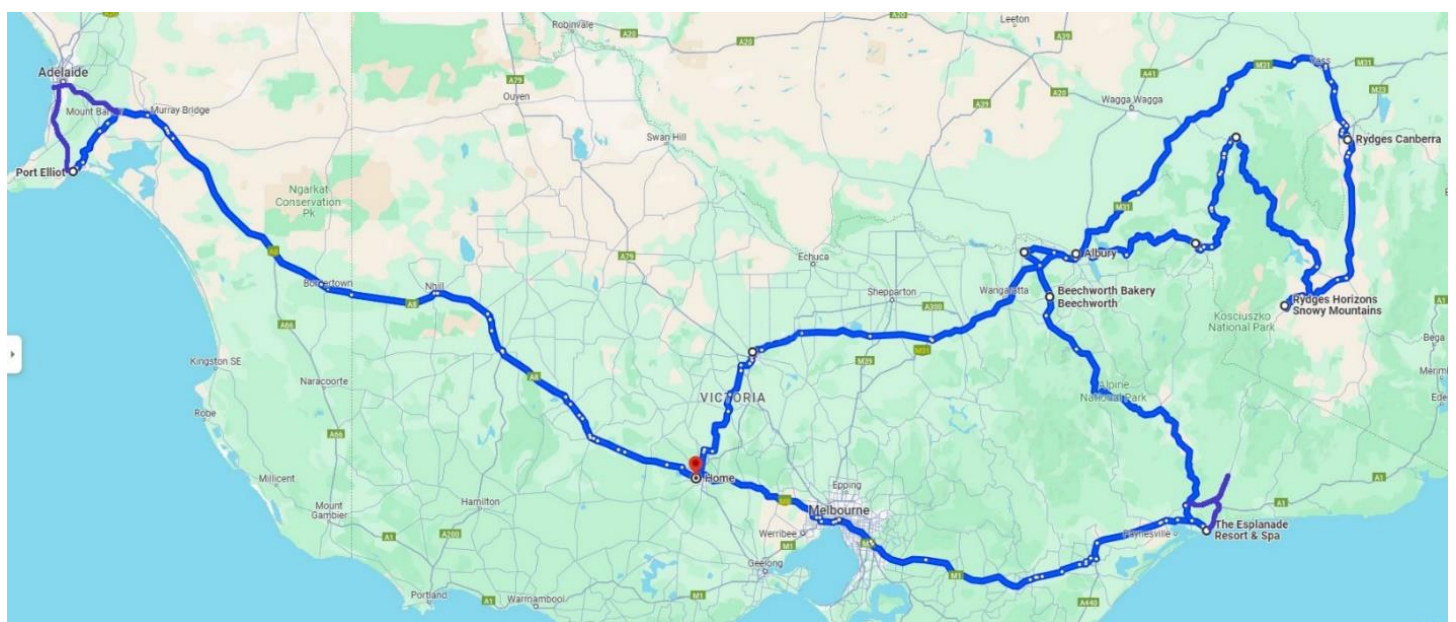
**"The QV ascends 1,840m - then back to Sea Level"**

Ballarat (441m) - Lakes Entrance (0m) - Hotham Heights (1840m) - Canberra (580m) - Glenelg (0m)

Words & Photos by Leon Cottle



**'On Top of the World'** - the 2021 Alfa Giulia QV at Danny's Lookout near Mt. Hotham (1,862m)



12-days cruising: through Victoria, NSW, ACT, back to Victoria and on to SA



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One of the benefits I have found in retirement is the new flexibility to get the Alfa out of the garage and 'stretch its legs' - as often as possible. Participating in Alfestas, Alpine Alfisti Tours, local Goldfields Chapter runs and many interstate drives visiting family. I now find any excuse to cruise in the Giulia. It is a nice gig this retired lifestyle 😊

An abridged dairy of a besotted Alfista follows, but watch for my full report in the next **Cross + Serpent**.

**28<sup>th</sup> March: Pre-Alfesta Tour (Ballarat to Lakes Entrance)**

**1 day of driving**

**28<sup>th</sup> March to 1<sup>st</sup> April: ALFESTA 2024 based in Lakes Entrance**

**several days driving**



'Show & Shine' – Alfesta'24 at Lakes Entrance



Alfesta'24 Gala Dinner



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**1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> April: Alfisti Autumn Tour (Lakes Entrance to Canberra)**

**5 days driving**



(See the full Tour Report here [https://alpinealfisti.org.au/downloads/AAT24\\_Report.pdf](https://alpinealfisti.org.au/downloads/AAT24_Report.pdf)).

**7<sup>th</sup> April: Auto Italia (Queanbeyan)**

**1 day driving**

This was my fourth visit to the Italian Car Association of ACT's 'Auto Italia'. The 2024 show celebrated the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Fiat 850, the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Abarth and the 110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Maserati.



**8<sup>th</sup> April: Canberra to Ballarat**

**1 BIG day driving**

A long day, with an 8-hour drive of 720kms back home. But with Anne Beck keeping me awake and the QV cruising comfortably along the highway, it was thoroughly enjoyable as it literally 'ate up' the distance easily.



The River Murray near our lunch spot at the 'River Deck Café' in Albury

## 14<sup>th</sup> April: Ballarat to Pt. Elliot SA

1 day driving

After a couple of quiet 'rest days' back in Ballarat, it was time to head west over to South Australia again to see my 93-year old parents, plus a few other family members as well.

## 21<sup>st</sup> April: AROCA (SA) 'All Alfa Day' at Glenelg

1 more day

Fortunately, my SA visit just 'happened by chance' to coincide with AROCA (SA)'s annual 'All Alfa Day' held at the Wigley Reserve in Glenelg.



This large open grassed area is ideal for such an event, and with fine SA sunshine, there were around 65 Alfas on display and many locals walking through the display admiring these excellent Italian vehicles.

## 22<sup>nd</sup> April: Glenelg to Ballarat

The final day of driving!

All good things must come to an end, so today was time to return the Giulia to Ballarat. Once again, another ideal driving day with clear blue skies and sunshine for the enjoyable 7-hour 630km homeward journey.

## A Victorian Giulia 'Invades' AROCA SA & WA magazines 😊

by Leon Cottle

Two years ago, when I last attended the AROCA SA's *All Alfa Day* (in April 2022), my 'Victorian plated' QV caused a bit of an uproar by having its photo plastered over the front cover of their Club's '*Le Automobili Alfa*' magazine (June'22 edition). My Alfa was the only one lined up for display in their new '2021 to 2030' category and was the latest Alfa model on show, hence their interest.

The front of the Giulia QV has also starred on the first page of the AROCA (WA) 'Alfa Occidentale' e-mag in their December 2021 edition – the Giulia's grill with my then 2-year granddaughter, Hannah, on her very own special 'Alfa'. No, it's not indoctrination – really! But she can now recognise an Alfa Romeo!



AROCA (SA) Magazine cover – June 2022



AROCA (WA) e-mag cover – December 2021

Drive to the Museum of Vehicle Evolution (M-O-V-E)

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May

[The Museum of Vehicle Evolution \(M-O-V-E\) - Shepparton](#)

MOVE is located in Shepparton, Victoria, and is a world-class transport museum. MOVE displays motor cars, motorbikes, trucks, buses, and much much more!

You can learn about the legends of the road transport industry and their machines in the Kenworth Dealer Pavilion's "Avenue of Legends." MOVE also includes: The Furphy Museum; The Farren Vintage Bicycle Collection; The Dick Clayton Collection of gramophones, telephones, and radio; and the extraordinary Loel Thomson Costume Collection.

The collections are displayed in a contemporary and interactive exhibition spaces.



An elevated example of the favoured marque was among the vehicle collection.

But imagine, when finally tearing oneself away from the exceptional vehicle (car & truck), electronic and bicycle displays and having settled back into "her" Alfa, for the run to Rutherglen (our overnight stop), your partner says "I reckon I probably enjoyed that visit to MOVE more than you did!"

The Loel Thompson Costume Collection really was THAT good!

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And some lesser known marques ...



Golf buggy? Stuart Appleton's unique Bimmer ute!



A 1927 (barn find?) Chevrolet truck.



A 1929 Chevrolet Fire Engine?



A MORS Roadster!



A Jaguar Hill Climb Special in a superb "garage" display



... and a rather pretty Whippet.



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## Goldfields Chapter drive to Summerfield Winery

Sunday 19th May

Words & Photos by Leon Cottle

Winter has unquestionably arrived in the Goldfields region! On a 'brisk' 6-degree Ballarat morning, with light rain falling a group of 27 daring, yet enthusiastic, Alfisti defied the elements to gather for an Alfa drive from Ballarat to the Talbot Farmers Market and then onto Summerfield Winery, near Avoca for lunch.

I'm not sure if it was the words "Farmer's Market" or "Winery Lunch" or a combination that really hit the mark for this event, as this was the largest turnout for one of our local Goldfields Chapter drives for quite a while. We even had two Alfas making the journey up from 'The Big Smoke' to join us good country folk. Thanks Malcolm & Sharon and Claude & Leanne for making the trip to Ballarat the day before, so that you could begin the drive with us all. The 'flock' of vehicles in our convoy comprised eleven Alfa Romeos, plus one Mercedes GLA 35, one Hyundai i30 wagon and one Toyota Rav4. We certainly had a wide variety of vehicles on this drive, as unfortunately a few of our members' Alfas weren't up to the task on the day 😞 The collection of Alfas ranged from" Malcolm & Sharon's impressive 1969 white 105 GTV, to Leon & Marg's red 2021 Giulia QV. The other Alfas were: two 2017 Giulias, one 2000 Twin-Spark Spider, three Giuliettas (2011 QV, 2015 QV & 2016 Veloce), one 1980 Alfetta 2000, one 1992 164 QV, and Claude & Leane's 'Diesel Tractor' - their ever-reliable, fuel-efficient 147 JTDM 😊

Our starting point for the day was next to 'The Old Ballarat Cemetery'. The morning's cold, drizzly conditions made this meeting place look even more eerie than usual, but thankfully all Alfisti were vertical & breathing.



Once everyone had arrived, and John's tour briefing was completed, at 9:30am the convoy headed north, winding our way at a comfortable relaxed cruising speed so we could appreciate the nice selection of scenic backroads. The route's gentle undulations and wide curves made for a delightful cruise, despite the cool and wet conditions.



Our morning tea stopover was at the small hamlet of Talbot, so we could explore their monthly 'Farmers Market'. Luckily by the time we arrived the rain had stopped, but warm coats were still required. This pleasant, friendly country market is quite large and very popular with people from the district and beyond, with a fascinating eclectic collection of stalls to search through. Thankfully for some of our group, there were a few good coffee vendors available as well. The large number of stalls extended along many side streets of the township, and many 'bargains' were obtained 😊

Once the boots of the Alfas (and the other 'modes of transportation') were filled with our many purchases, we headed further northwest, through Avoca and Moonambel along more delightful backroads towards the Summerfield Winery for our group's lunch. With their newly expanded restaurant area and large pizza oven, we were well fed with a fine selection of pizzas and other tasty cuisine. Furthermore, it was another chance to enjoy a glass of Summerfield's excellent red wines, plus purchase a few extra bottles to restock the cellar back home. This venue is always very popular on weekends and was fully booked today, with a total of well over 100 people being fed.







Our large lunch group was allocated two long tables, with everyone mixing and chatting – a lot! What a delightful way to spend some time – a nice Alfa drive through the scenic 'Goldfield's' countryside, visit a market, enjoy a relaxed tasty lunch, with fine wines, all shared with a pleasant bunch of friendly Alfisti. **"Perfetto Grazie!!"**

Many thanks to David & John for planning the day's event and route. We all greatly appreciated your efforts.



Our next local Alfa event will be on **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> of June**. (See details below) This will be a drive arranged by David Roberts, who is planning for a group from Melbourne to drive to the **'Bourkies Bakehouse' in Woodend** for their morning tea stop, and then continue onto Ballarat for a group lunch at **'The Boatshed Restaurant' by Lake Wendouree**. Goldfields Chapter members have been invited to join them for lunch and/or to meet them at Woodend (10:30am) for their morning tea stop as well, if interested.

So, ... If any Goldfields members desire to attend this event **please contact me ASAP**, and I'll pass on our group numbers to David. The Bookings **WILL close on 13/6/24**. Once I know how many of our local members are interested, I'll sort out how many wish to do a drive to Woodend plus attend lunch, and others that may just want to simply meet us all for lunch at 'The Boatshed' at noon. Lunch will be 'a la carte' where you order and pay as you go – BUT numbers must be booked, as this venue is very popular and usually booked out.



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## AROCA Victoria - Club Calendar – June 2024

Restrictions may apply to these AROCA events

- Bookings for events may be limited according to space or prevailing health & safety regulations.
  - Use facemasks and sanitizer as appropriate.

2	<b>BMWDCM Motorkhana Calder Park</b> Calder Park	7:00am to 5:00pm
7	<b>AROCA Gippsland Chapter - Strada Veloce weekend</b> Bairnsdale, Maffra & Marlo – Gippsland	9:00am to 5:00pm
8 - 10	<b>AROCA Gippsland Chapter - Strada Veloce weekend</b> Bairnsdale, Maffra & Marlo – Gippsland	9:00am to 5:00pm
12	<b>AROCA Club Night - Veneto Club</b> Veneto Club, Bulleen	8:00pm to 9:30pm
15	<b>BMWDCM Sprint Event Calder Park</b> Calder Park	7:00am to 5:00pm
16	<b>AROCA New Members' Breakfast</b> Brunetti Classico – Carlton	8:30am to 10:30am
22	<b>AROCA goes Sim Racing</b> YTG - 12 Adriatic Way, Keysborough 3173	12:00pm to 4:00pm
26	<b>AROCA Committee meeting</b> The Montague Hotel, 355 Park St, South Melbourne	7:30pm to 9:30pm
30	<b>Club Drive Melbourne to Lake Wendouree</b> La Manna Direct, Essendon Fields to Ballarat	<b>BOOKINGS have CLOSED!</b> 9:00am to 3:00pm

Check the [Calendar](#) on the Club website for any updates to the above events.

For information on specific Register activities: contact your [Register Captain](#)

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## Strada Veloce – a Gippsland weekend fit for a King!

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June

**AROCA's Gippsland Chapter has organised an exciting weekend away** to be held during the "Monarch's Birthday" long weekend in June (7<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>)

- Friday evening: Meet in **Bairnsdale**:  
at 3:30pm at [Sergio Automotive](#) @ 21 Campbell St (for a workshop visit); or  
at 7:30pm at [Mitchell River Tavern](#) @ 59 Main St for dinner; or  
if you cant make it for dinner, join us at the **Tavern** for drinks after dinner.
- Saturday day: Run to **Maffra** for lunch  
Meet at 9:00am in front of Main Hotel Bairnsdale, 270 Main St.  
(Note: this establishment is currently closed, so it is just the meeting point!)  
Lunch will be at [Maffco Brewery & Distillery](#)
- Saturday night: Back to **Bairnsdale** for dinner
- Sunday day: Run to **Marlo** for lunch. Marlo is a tranquil seaside town at the mouth of the Snowy River and the gateway to Victoria's wilderness coast in Far East Gippsland.
- Sunday night: Back to **Bairnsdale** for dinner
- Monday day: Return **home**.

During the weekend there will also be an opportunity to visit the [Gippsland Vehicle Collection](#) in Maffra, possibly on Monday.



Numbers are **limited**, so book early or be disappointed!

**RSVP** to Brett Hayton or Peter Chambers to reserve your place.

Brett Hayton: [116Register@AlfaClubVic.org.au](mailto:116Register@AlfaClubVic.org.au) | 0418 997 311

Peter Chambers: [Secretary@AlfaClubVic.org.au](mailto:Secretary@AlfaClubVic.org.au) | 0448 195 771

And watch the web for updates [AROCA's Weekend in Gippsland](#) !

## Sim Racing Challenge!

Saturday 22 June (TBC!)



I'm excited to invite you to participate in our upcoming AROCA Sim Racing Challenge where we go head-to-head in state-of-the-art Racing Simulators. But seats are filling fast.

The details of the event follow:

- Challenge: Compete for four hours in thrilling races against other participants.
- Simulator: You'll have access to cutting-edge simulators.
- Customization: Choose your own car, race track, and the level of difficulty of your competitors.

This promises to be an exhilarating experience for all racing enthusiasts. If you're interested in showcasing your skills and pushing your limits in the virtual racing world, please confirm your participation.

Where: **YTG - 12 Adriatic Way, Keysborough 3173**  
When: **Saturday 22 June (TBC!)**  
Time: **12:00pm-4:00pm**  
Cost: **\$110 per person** (including lunch)

**To confirm participation and reserve your spot for this great event, prepay the entry fee:**

Bank: National Australia Bank  
Account name: Alfa Romeo Owners' Club of Australia (Victoria Division) Inc.  
BSB: 083-355  
A/C #: 844613704

If you have any questions, or need further information, please contact me:  
Clara Sperandio | AROCA Social Secretary | [social@alfaclubvic.org.au](mailto:social@alfaclubvic.org.au)

*Let's rev up and race!*



## Alfa Romeo DAYS ANNIVERSARY

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## Alfa Romeo DAYS ANNIVERSARY

SAVE THE DATE  
**22**  
JUNE

- **10.30 am:** Alfa Romeo Club Parade
- **11.00 am:** Alfa Romeo Club Meeting
- **2.30 pm:** Alfa Romeo Spider Parade
- **3.00 pm:** Backstage conference: "Spider is Alfa Romeo"
- **4.00 pm:** Thematic Guided Tour "Giulietta, Fidanzata d'Italia" (in Italian)
- **4.30 pm:** Regularity Course, practical tests and competition

### The Club Meeting :

can be attended by 2 representatives from each Club. It will be possible to participate remotely. To confirm your attendance: [michela.cangemi@museoalfaromeo.com](mailto:michela.cangemi@museoalfaromeo.com)

### Parade and Backstage conference:

are open to all Alfa enthusiasts. To register, contact: [michela.cangemi@museoalfaromeo.com](mailto:michela.cangemi@museoalfaromeo.com)

### Regularity Course:

we kindly ask you to register by writing to [michela.cangemi@museoalfaromeo.com](mailto:michela.cangemi@museoalfaromeo.com)  
Stating the name, e-mail address and phone number of the driver and model and year of the car



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## Alfa Romeo DAYS ANNIVERSARY

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SAVE THE DATE  
**23**  
JUNE

- **11.30 am:** Thematic Guided Tour "Giulietta. Italy's Sweetheart"
- **3.00 pm:** Treasure Hunt
- **3.00 pm:** Storage Room Guided Tour (in Italian)
- **4.30 pm:** Thematic Guided Tour "Giulietta. Fidanzata d'Italia" (in Italian)
- **5.00 pm:** Award Ceremony for the Treasure Hunt

Please sign up in advance for the **visits** and **Treasure Hunt** by writing to [info@museoalfaromeo.com](mailto:info@museoalfaromeo.com)

Dedicated menu for Clubs at the Alfa Romeo Caffè e Bistrò:  
[caffe@museoalfaromeo.com](mailto:caffe@museoalfaromeo.com)



### Throughout the weekend, the exhibition "Giulietta. Italy's Sweetheart"

organized in collaboration with RIAR on the occasion of the 70th anniversary will be open for visits.

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**Club Drive to Lake Wendouree, Ballarat**

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June**

**NB: Bookings for this event have CLOSED!**

This is a Club Drive from Essendon Fields to Lake Wendouree, Ballarat. The Drive will traverse the central goldfields to Ballarat along Alfa-centric roads and is open to all members, their families, and all Alfa models.



Date: **Sunday 30th June**

Meet at: **La Manna**, Essendon Fields

Arrive by 8.30am for **9.00am departure**

Mid morning stop: [Bourkies Bakehouse](#), Woodend (approx. 10:00am)

Lunch venue: [Boatshed Restaurant](#) on Lake Wendouree (approx. midday)  
(a la carte: order and pay as you go)

RSVP by: **13<sup>th</sup> June 2024**. *No latecomers accepted!*

RSVP to: **David Roberts** ([Giulia Register Captain](#)) 0492 938 227

Provide Name/s, Membership No, car model, number attending lunch, and mobile no

**ALL available places have now been filled!**

Any new enquiries will be placed on a wait-list.

**Contact:** David Roberts    M: 0492 938 227    E: [950register@alfaclubvic.org.au](mailto:950register@alfaclubvic.org.au)





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## Goldfields Alfa Group

A Chapter of AROCA (Vic)



## 2024 Programme

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Goldfields Chapter events (in RED) for 2024:

- 14<sup>th</sup> July – Goldfields Chapter Sunday Drive
- 8<sup>th</sup> September – Goldfields Chapter Sunday Drive
- 14<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> October – 'Alfisti Spring Tour' from central Victoria to the Hunter Valley (TBC)  
See details here: [https://alpinealfisti.org.au/aaaa\\_tours.html#AST24](https://alpinealfisti.org.au/aaaa_tours.html#AST24)
- 23<sup>rd</sup> November - AROCA (Vic) **Spettacolo Dinner** (TBC)
- 24<sup>th</sup> November - AROCA (Vic) **Spettacolo Show & Shine** (TBC)
- 8<sup>th</sup> December – Goldfields Chapter Christmas Drive.

Future venues under consideration:

- 'Pig and Whistle' Hotel near Trentham
- Guilford Hotel
- 'Barney's Barn' at Pomonal
- Revisit Mt. Moriac Hotel

For other AROCA (Vic) events, refer to the calendar on the Club's website.



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## REVISED AROCA Vic 2024 Motorsport Calendar

**Save the dates!**

The 2024 AROCA Vic Motorsport calendar has been revised  
Drivers of ALL levels are welcome, Motorsport Australia Speed  
License and Car Club membership essential.

**Supersprint Round 1 - Sunday Feb 25th – Sandown**  
**Supersprint Round 2 – Sunday Apr 21st – Winton**  
**Supersprint Round 2 - Saturday May 11th – Sandown**  
**Supersprint Round 3 - Saturday Jul 6th – Phillip Island**  
**Supersprint Round 4 - Sunday August 25th – Broadford**  
**Alfa Club 10Hr Relay 11-13 Oct - Winton**  
**Supersprint Round 5 - Sunday Dec 1 – Phillip Island**

For more information contact:

**Brett Bereau**

**0409 999 951**

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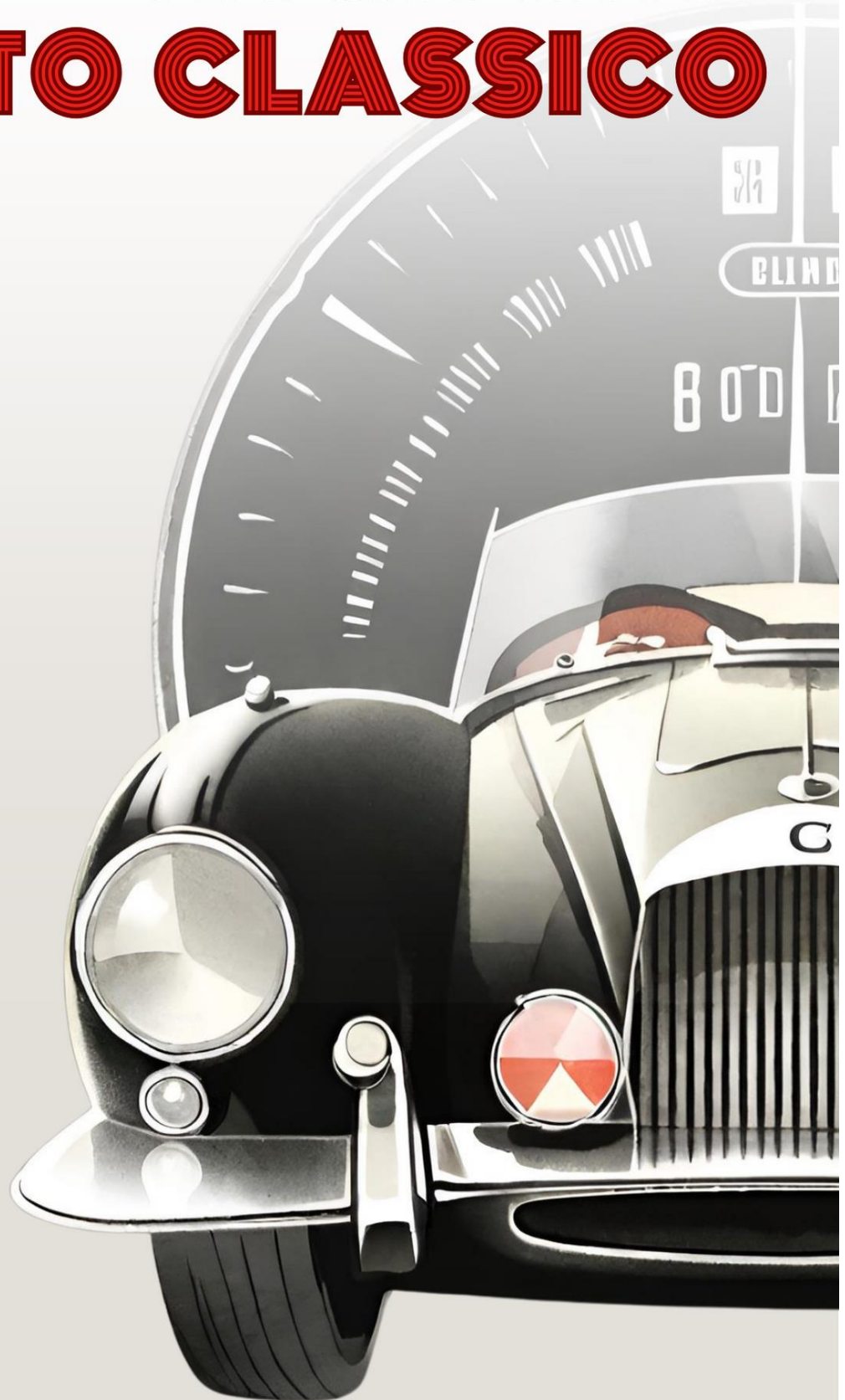


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### The following are the proposed dates for the Goldfields Chapter's events in 2025

- 18<sup>th</sup> February – Goldfields Chapter Sunday Drive
- 16<sup>th</sup> March – Australian F1 Grand Prix – Albert Park.
- **3<sup>rd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> April – Alfesta'25 in Hahndorf SA.** (See poster below)
- 6<sup>th</sup> April – Auto Italia in Canberra TBC
- 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> April – AROCA SA's **Post Alfesta Tour** TBC
- 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> April – AROCA Vic's **Grampians Gallivant** TBC
- 18<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> April – EASTER
- 18<sup>th</sup> May – Goldfields Chapter Sunday Drive
- 20<sup>th</sup> July – Goldfields Chapter Sunday Drive
- 14<sup>th</sup> September – Goldfields Chapter Sunday Drive
- 13<sup>th</sup> October to 27<sup>th</sup> October – **'Il Grande Giro' Vic/SA 14-day Alfa Tour** (Grampians Gallivant+) TBC
- Late November - AROCA (Vic) Spettacolo & Dinner TBC
- 27<sup>th</sup> November – Goldfields Chapter Christmas Drive.

**For other AROCA (Vic) events, refer to the calendar on the Club's website.**



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AROCA SA warmly invites you to Hahndorf & Alfesta 2025.

Established in 1839, Hahndorf is Australia's oldest surviving German settlement, located in the Adelaide Hills, 28km southeast of Adelaide. Hahndorf's pioneer settlers were refugees escaping from religious persecution in Prussia (a north-eastern Germanic state). Today it is a State Heritage Area.

Discover the historic and scenic charm of the Adelaide Hills with your stay at the Discovery Hahndorf Park. We will be in the perfect location to enjoy all that the Adelaide Hills has to offer.

## 3 – 7 APRIL 2025

Please note that after much consideration we have decided to move away from Easter for Alfesta 2025, so make sure you mark the dates in your calendar.

Book your tickets at [www.alfesta2025.net](http://www.alfesta2025.net)

Questions? Contact Jim Delaine 0407792598 or [jim-alfesta2025@alfaclubsa.org.au](mailto:jim-alfesta2025@alfaclubsa.org.au)



The main street of Hahndorf in autumn



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## Thank you!

... to the contributors to this edition of *Notizie Alfisti*: Leon Cottle, Brett Hayton, Joseph Millwood, Carlo Santoro, Peter Chambers and John Hanslow

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### You too can contribute to the Club's publications:

Notes, photos or brief reports of recent events, and any items of general interest to members, will be gratefully accepted for publication in *Notizie Alfisti* and/or **Cross + Serpent**. An Event Report proforma is included for your guidance below. Generally, larger articles and photos, will be assigned to C+S with a corresponding mention in *Notizie Alfisti*. Contributions are preferred as text (e.g. Word) rather than PDF and should be sent to: [newsletter@AlfaClubVIC.org.au](mailto:newsletter@AlfaClubVIC.org.au) or [editor@alfaclubvic.org.au](mailto:editor@alfaclubvic.org.au)

Submit contributions at least seven days prior to the end of the month for inclusion in the next *Notizie*.

### Alfa for sale?

Do you have an Alfa for sale, or is **Anyone Looking For Another?** Members' ads can be included in the newsletter at no charge. If you are selling, be sure to provide photos and VIN/Rego details.

### AROCA Victoria Club Shop

Alfa Club merchandise currently in stock includes: Caps (black or red), Polo shirts (M or F) and Tee shirts (grey or red). Direct all club merchandise enquiries to [shop@alfaclubvic.org.au](mailto:shop@alfaclubvic.org.au).

### AROCA Victoria Advertising & Marketing

To sponsor AROCA Victoria and/or advertise in AROCA Victoria's publications: **Cross + Serpent**; *Notizie Alfisti*, and the web site [AlfaClubVIC.org.au](http://AlfaClubVIC.org.au) email: [President@alfaclubvic.org.au](mailto:President@alfaclubvic.org.au)

### Notizie Alfisti and Cross + Serpent

Copies of AROCA Victoria's newsletter *Notizie Alfisti* and magazine **Cross + Serpent** are archived on the Club's website under the "Publications" tab. <https://www.alfaclubvic.org.au/publications/>

### DEADLINES 2024 Cross + Serpent Magazine

Edition	Deadline Final Copy to Editor	Mailout
AUTUMN	1-Mar	27-Mar
WINTER	3-Jun	25-Jun
SPRING	3-Sep	25-Sep
SUMMER	27-Nov	18-Dec





## Club Permit Scheme

The VicRoads Club Permit Scheme (CPS) allows members of AROCA to make limited use of historic vehicles on the road network. The club has appointed a Club Permit Officer (CPO) as administrator for the scheme and he will process club permit applications and renewals.

### **A Road Worthy Certificate is required for all new applications to VicRoads.**

Members now need to provide us with the following before we can sign-off on a Club Permit Application Form.

1. The new Club Permit Application form (original to be supplied to the club).
2. The Vehicle Eligibility form (original to be supplied to the club)
3. The original or a copy of a valid Road Worthy Certificate
4. Dated photographs of the vehicle, this will include, Front, Driver's side, Rear, Driving position (driver's side with driver's door open) and VIN/Chassis number (if possible).

The club permit application form and vehicle eligibility form must be downloaded from the VicRoads website – [click here for the page](#).

### **Contact**

*NB: Due to a significant volume of queries, we can no longer provide assistance over the telephone.*

Email correspondence to: [cps@alfaclubvic.org.au](mailto:cps@alfaclubvic.org.au) (max 7 day turnaround)

Or Contact Ivan Ciardullo on 0412 386 195

Paper correspondence to: *CPS Applications, PO Box 7076, Banyule VIC. 3084* (max 7 day turnaround)

VicRoads will only process paper forms with original signatures – therefore we cannot process application or renewal forms electronically by email. Please follow the instructions below to send the original forms with a stamped return envelope.

### **Roadworthy Certificates**

A Roadworthy Certificate can be obtained from any VicRoads Licenced Roadworthy Tester. To access the VicRoads list of RWC Testers [Click Here](#).

### **New Permit Applications**

The procedures regarding how to apply for, or renew, Club Plates have changed.

1. Applicants must be a current Club member and able to prove ownership of the vehicle.
  2. Obtain a Roadworthy Certificate from an authorised tester.
  3. Complete the Club Permit Application Form and Vehicle Eligibility Form (forms can be downloaded from the VicRoads website).
  4. Select the 45 or 90 day option.
  5. Provide a stamped self-addressed envelope.
  6. Take digital colour photos (not hard copies) of the car showing front, rear, driver's side, and with the driver's door open. For convertibles, also take one photo with the roof off .
  7. Send Roadworthy Certificate, proof of ownership, completed VicRoads forms and the stamped self-addressed envelope to "CPS, PO Box 7076, Banyule Vic 3084".
  8. Email the digital photos to "[cps@alfaclubvic.org.au](mailto:cps@alfaclubvic.org.au)" advising the permit application is in the mail.
  9. The signed forms will be returned to you in the stamped, self-addressed envelope.
  10. Take the forms and payment to VicRoads who will then issue you with your new Club Plate
- On receipt of your new CPS plates please notify AROCA of your new registration number via email [cps@alfaclubvic.org.au](mailto:cps@alfaclubvic.org.au).

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## Club Permit Scheme - Renewals

There are three ways to renew your CPS registration.

The easiest way to renew is online, as follows:

1. Go on the Vic Roads website and open an account;
2. Once your account is open that will automatically pick up any fully registered vehicles in your name, but it may not pick up the Club Plated vehicles;
3. If your Club Plated vehicle is not picked up, manually add your club plated vehicle to your account. It usually takes Vic Roads 24 hours to add it to your account;
4. Once your club plated vehicle is added to your account, get your Club Plate Renewal form signed by an authorised AROCA Office Bearer at a club meeting, in person or by posting Club Plate Renewal Form to the CPS officer. \* If you're unable to have your renewal notice signed in person by the club office bearer, you can have the CPS Officer, Ivan Ciardullo, complete and sign a [Club Permit endorsement form \[PDF 55 Kb\]](#). You will need to email him.

You need to prove that you are a financial member of the Club when you present the Renewal form signed. This can be done by presenting a current AROCA (Vic) membership Card.

5. Once you have the signed CPS renewal Form, go into your Vic Roads account and next to the club plated registration there should be a "Pay" button. Click on that and you will then be asked to upload the Club Endorsement Form (Signed Rego renewal form) you can then pay your club registration by following the instructions on the website. Once this is all completed, the next day VicRoads will email you a Club Permit renewal receipt. Place new CPS sticker on your car window.

## Renewing in Person

You are welcome to attend the Club meeting, which occurs every second Wednesday of each month, and seek out the CPS officer for his signature, but be sure to have your current Club Membership card with you to prove you are a financial member. If the CPS officer is not in attendance, there will be someone else present from the Club's Committee who will be authorised to sign your renewal form.

If you can't get to a Club Meeting, you can make an appointment to get your renewal form signed by contacting either Sebastian Mauceri at Mauceri Motors in Clayton (phone 95436466) or Bruno Collautti at Maranello Pur Sang Motors in Brunswick (phone 9386 9650). They are registered CPS office bearers for renewals only.

## Renewing by Mail

1. Applicants must be a current Club member and still the registered owner of the vehicle.
2. On receipt of your CPS Registration Renewal from VicRoads, sign where required.
3. Send renewal form with a stamped, self-addressed, envelope to:  
"CPS, PO Box 7076 Banyule Vic 3084".
4. The CPS Officer will check the membership records and then return the signed renewal form to you if you are a current financial member.
5. Upon receipt of the signed renewal form, take the signed renewal form and payment to VicRoads Office or use this signed form to complete the payment online at the VicRoads website.

## Permit Validity

**If you allow your AROCA membership to lapse, you will then be driving an unregistered vehicle.**

AROCA is required to notify VicRoads of any AROCA member using a club permit who becomes unfinancial. If you have a club permit it is important that you pay your membership fees or your vehicle will be deemed unregistered and illegal to operate on the road.

It is also a requirement of the scheme that AROCA notifies VicRoads of any misuse of CPS log books and/or CPS registered vehicles.



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## MEMBER EVENT REPORT

**Your report will be published in "Cross + Serpent"- your magazine**

*Please fill in as much detail as possible, don't worry about sentence structure or punctuation, grammar etc. and attach up to 5 photos*

EVENT NAME AND DESCRIPTION (e.g. Sunday Drive)

PLACE, DATE AND TIME

DURATION OF EVENT

SOCIAL EVENT (e.g. Coffee or meal stops, type and number of participants' cars, outstanding vehicle)

MOTOR SPORT EVENT (e.g. AROCA or other club, number of trials, races, displays etc)

PHOTOS (Maximum of 5 and please include your name and contact details and provide as much detail of subject(s) as possible.)

MOST INTERESTING CAR (Model, colour, type, year, why)

TELL US WHAT YOU LIKED ABOUT THE DAY

TELL US ABOUT YOUR CAR AND YOUR DAY, (Did you take friends, all Alfisti or just you?)

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ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS UPLOADED (e.g. Program, Menu, tourist information)

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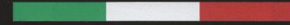


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