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Ean McDowell outside Aladdin's Cave in Beeac







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President's Page

As we move into Spring with a few days of Summer followed by few days of Winter, the Club committee and volunteers are now in the final stages of organising the Alfa Club 10HR at Winton and the Spettacolo Concorso, Dinner and Show & Shine. These are all great events for the Alfa enthusiast.

It is with much sadness that I note the passing of our Club Permit Scheme Officer, Ivan Ciardullo. Ivan's contribution to the Club over the past decade has been large, and it has been very greatly appreciated by all – especially those with cars on the Club Permit Scheme. Ivan's contribution is noted below.

The Membership Officer, Bruce Baum, together with our VP, Bruno Colautti, and Sebastian Mauceri are working together to ensure that this important member service continues.

October Club Night will be held on Wednesday 9th at the Veneto Club in Bulleen starting at 8:00pm. A Register Captains Meeting will be held prior to Club Night, commencing at 6:30pm.

After last year's successes, we have continued with our regular new member breakfasts at Brunetti Classico (please note: the Breakfast scheduled for 6th October has been postponed, due to a clash with the Italian Festa), the Alfa Romeo vs Fiat Clubs' Bocce Challenge – well done team – competition, and Sunday Drives. We also have the Winton 10HR Social Dinner and Spettacolo Dinner just around the corner. Then in December, we will hold the annual Family Xmas BBQ, for *kids of all ages*, at the Diamond Valley Miniature Railway. December Club Night will include supper and drinks for members.

This year's Competition events have been well attended, with members volunteering for training and assisting to make these events a continuing success. The parade laps are always popular - with a strong attendance by a range of classic and modern Alfa Romeos, together in a controlled environment.

As per usual, we always seek assistance with running events – Club Sprints, Tours, Sunday Drives or Displays. This is reflected in strong participation in events run to a high standard.

We have 2 vacancies within the Club's management team – we seek volunteers for: the **116 Register Captain** (The Transaxle Alfas: Giulietta, Alfetta, 90 & 75) and also with management of the **Club Permit Scheme**. Please contact me if you can assist with either of these important roles, or if you would like to volunteer to assist with the planning of a Sunday Drive, Club Display or Club Sprint, or if you would like to help at any other Club activity.

I note that as we move forward towards the end of 2024, we still have a lot of enthusiasm within the Club, demonstrated by our Committee, the many volunteers and members alike. Thank you.

Otherwise

Check the <u>calendar</u> on the Club's website for new and updated events. You will also find information on Club events on the Club's <u>Facebook</u> page, and in the Club's quarterly magazine <u>Cross + Serpent</u>.

John Hanslow, President, AROCA Victoria

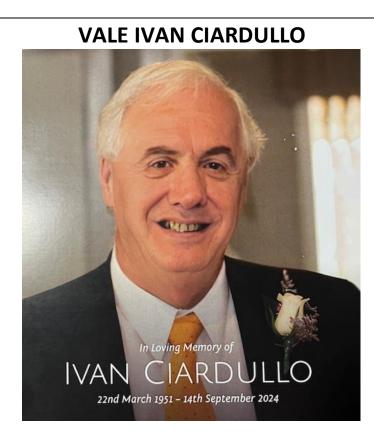
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The committee and members of AROCA (Vic) were greatly saddened to hear of the sudden passing of our good friend, passionate Alfista and dedicated club member, Ivan Ciardullo, on Saturday 14 September 2024.

Ivan was born in Genoa, Italy in 1951, migrated to Australia in 1960, where he grew up in Brunswick. He studied Law at Melbourne University from 1979 to 1983. He worked in the insurance industry for 30 years before almost, but not quite, retiring. After "retiring" he took up a position as a claims consultant with the Municipal Association of Victoria.

Ivan was an enthusiastic and incurable Alfista. That is what a Spider bite will do to you. And Ivan was bitten twice. Once by a 1971 1750 and then again by a 2000 Twin Spark.

When he was not polishing his two Spiders, he was attending to the needs of many hundreds of AROCA members with cars on the Club Permit Scheme.

Ivan joined AROCA (Vic) in 2013 and almost immediately volunteered to be the Club Permit Officer, a role that he filled for over a decade. This role successfully filled in a significant part of his spare time.

The committee, and the club as a whole, will remember Ivan as a passionate Alfista, dedicated CPS officer and helper, and as a dependable and loyal friend.

Ivan will be sadly missed by all of his friends who have shared his common passions for Alfa Romeos.

Riposa In Pace Ivan















Around the traps

Wanted: 116 Register Captain

AROCA is seeking a volunteer to manage the Club's 116 Register.

The **116 Register** includes 1980s Giuliettas, Alfettas (sedan & coupe), Alfa 90, Alfa 75, ES30 (SZ & RZ) & the elusive Alfa 6 – the de Dion transaxle Alfas.

This is a great position for an owner or enthusiast of these distinctive Alfa Romeo models. As Register Captainyou would endeavor to promote the relevant models to the benefit of all Club members - 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 Club Drives
- Work with the Register Co-Ordinator to help organize the annual Spettacolo Show & Shine.



The Alfetta coupe and Alfa 90 are both Tipo 116 Alfas

For more information about these important opportunities, please contact the Register Coordinator:

Graeme Peake M: 0411 184 699

E: RegisterCoordinator@AlfaClubVic.org.au









Wanted: Club Permit Scheme Officer

AROCA is seeking a volunteer to manage the Club Permit Scheme.

Club Permit Scheme Officer:

- Operate and maintain the Club's Club Permit Scheme in accordance with VicRoads requirements, ensuring any updates or changes are implemented as required in timely manner.
- Ensure that the Club acts legally, ethically and in the best interests of its Members in all of its dealings and activities and events positively reflect the proud history of the Alfa Romeo marque.



For more information about this role, please contact:John Hanslow, President, AROCA Victoria0409 961 719President@alfaclubvic.org.au







News from across the Tasman ...

AROC New Zealand is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. As part of this, the book *Half Century, Full Throttle* has been published documenting the club's history, plus the wider history of Alfa Romeo in NZ going back to 1950.

It's a professionally produced book comprising 520 full colour pages with around 900 photos and reprints of historic documents, advertising etc.

The book will be launched at our **Festa d'Oro** event in Wellington in October this year.



HALF CENTURY, FULL THROTTLE

Alfa Romeo Owners' Club (NZ). Published 2024. ISBN 978-0-473-71143-6.

For its 50th anniversary this year, the New Zealand AROC decided back in 2021 that a golden anniversary publication would be a good way to mark such a milestone. But I doubt that even the most optimistic member realised then that the end product would be a large well-illustrated 520-page hardback book! With text and photos contributed by many club members and brought together by a management team headed by past-President Tom Bruynel, the book has drawn on professional services to ensure a really high quality publication.

From a modest beginning – just 12 Alfisti at an initial meeting in 1974 - AROC NZ now has over 600 members spread throughout the country, with regional representatives doing a great job of keeping the Alfa spirit and enthusiasm alive. *Half Century, Full Throttle* provides an enthusiastic description of club activities throughout NZ since 1974. These are well covered in the book, and will be familiar to you all, ranging from concours to the annual Festa (organized by a different branch each year), rallies, racing and club runs. Key personalities over the years get their due, such as Life Members, previous officeholders, importers and dealerships or the providers of essential specialist services that keep so many Alfas on the road. There are fascinating chapters on the history of models such as the Montreal, 105 and Alfasud, as well as the background to some rare Alfas that are to be seen at club events. Also, it may surprise you to know that, over the years, NZ has been home to some iconic Alfa Romeos (an overworked term perhaps, but accurate in these cases). In particular, two P3s including Nuvolari's German GP-winning example, the 8C 2300 that won Le Mans in 1931 and the *Bimotore* in its single-engined Alfa-Aitken form.

As well as the interesting text and very impressive photo selection, the high standard of the book's production deserves a mention, from the quality of the paper to the binding. It's a book to treasure and would look great in any Alfisti's library: Highly Recommended!

(The book retails for \$NZ100, plus shipping. To order, please go to <u>www.arocnz.org.nz</u> and follow the link for Half Century, Full Throttle.)

Several sample pages from Half Century, Full Throttle are displayed on the following pages ...

Review by Mark Holman







Sample page images from Half Century Full Throttle





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Sample page images from Half Century Full Throttle



Alfa Romeo 8C 2300 Le Mans



















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Recent events

Goldfields Drive to Beeac

Sunday 8 September

words & photos by Leon Cottle

This was another great Goldfields Chapter drive, though it was a repeat of a very enjoyable run we did way back in June of 2021. We met up in Buninyong and headed to Inverleigh for morning tea, and then drove on to Beeac for lunch at the 'Farmers Arms Hotel'. A total of 26 Alfisti in 15 Alfas attended this cruise.

We were also able to see part of Ean McDowell's eclectic car collection. Ean features on the front cover of this month's Notizie Alfisti standing guard over the entrance to his den.



The only downside for the day was the torrential rain on our homeward journey. Thanks to all that participated and to John for organising the drive.







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AROCA Victoria - Club Calendar for the next month

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.

October

		Melbourne Italian Festa 2024	
	5-6	Melbourne Exhibition Buildings	
		8:00am to 5:00pm	
		AROCA Club Display - Melbourne Italian Festa	
	6	Melbourne Exhibition Buildings	
		Pre-booked Alfas assemble in Argyle Place South ready to depart by 7:30am	
		AROCA Victoria - Club Night	
	9	Veneto Club, Bulleen	
		7:30pm to 9:00pm	
		Alfa Club 10 Hour Relay - Winton	
	11-13	Winton Raceway (near Benalla)	
		8:00am to 5:00pm	
		Alfisti Spring Tour 2024	
	15-23	Central Vic, Riverina, Hilltops, Central West, Hunter Valley and Blue Mountains	
		10:30am 15/10 to 9:00pm 23/10	
		AOMC Club & Trade Showcase	
	26	Shannons Melbourne	
		10:00am to 2:00pm	
		Club Drive	
	27	Watch the <u>web site</u> for details	
		8:30am to 3:30pm	
November			
		ADOCA Vistoria - Club Nisht	

	AROCA Victoria - Club Night
13	Veneto Club, Bulleen
	7:30pm to 9:00pm

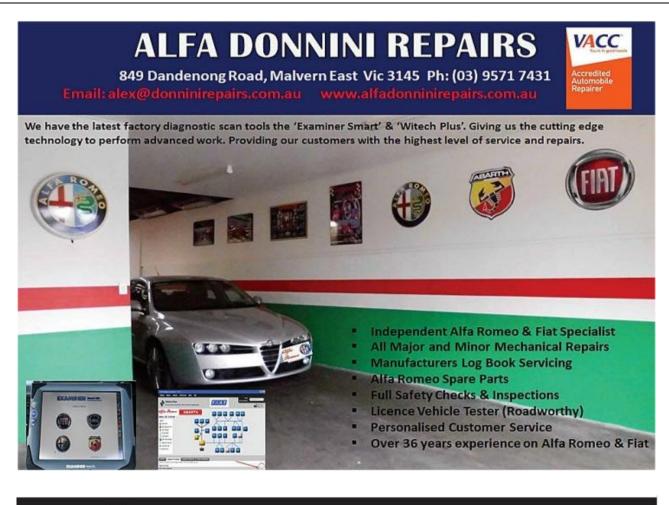
Check the <u>Calendar</u> on the Club website for any updates to the above events. For information on specific Register activities: contact your <u>Register Captain</u>











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Melbourne Italian Festa

Sunday, 6 October 2024 8:00am - 3:00pm Royal Exhibition Buildings - Carlton

AROCA will be holding a Club display at the Royal Exhibition Buildings to celebrate the Melbourne Italian Festa.



Previous Club displays at the Royal Exhibition Buildings AROCA has been allocated 15 spaces for a Club display of Alfa Romeos.

Venue: Royal Exhibition Buildings, Carlton

Date: Sunday 6 October

Time: 8:00 am until late afternoon

If you would like to join this year's Club display (NB: Alfas only please), contact:

Max Maltese by text/SMS to 0411 172 834 by Friday 4 October.

(Include: names, contact details, membership number and the model and year of your Alfa.)

Alfas will be assembling at Argyle Place South, next to Argyle Square, Carlton at 7.30 am to travel to the Exhibition Buildings in convoy, arriving by 8.00am.*



Alfa Romeo RL @ Royal Exhibition Buildings.

Further details are here: https://www.melbourneitalianfesta.com.au/

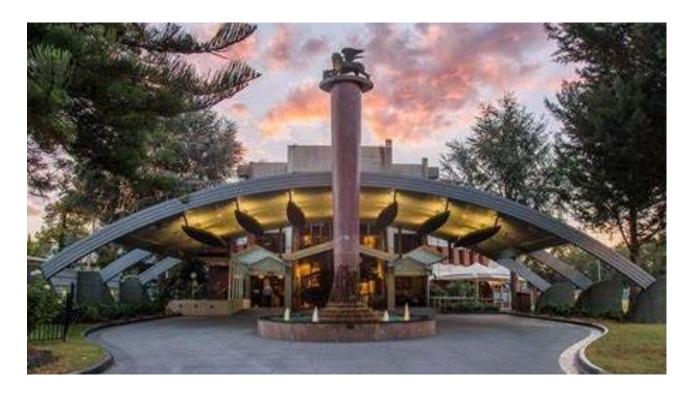






AROCA Victoria - Club Night

Wednesday October 9th Veneto Club, Bulleen 8:00 pm – 9:30 pm *Register Captains: Register Captains Meeting* starts at 6:30pm



The venue for Club Night is the <u>Veneto Club</u> – 191 Bulleen Road, Bulleen.

Join us at Club Night for the latest news on Club events and general business, followed by a social evening with typical Alfisti camaraderie.

But why not make it a proper night out? Meet for dinner in the Veneto Club's Bistro at 6:00pm and dine with fellow club members prior to the AROCA Club meeting at 8:00pm.

> To book for dinner at the Veneto Club, contact Carlo Santoro Public Relations Officer <u>pr@alfaclubvic.org.au</u>

We look forward to seeing you at Club Night.







EXPRESSION OF INTEREST					
MOST ANTICIPATED EVENT ON AROCA VIC MOTORSPORT CALENDAR!					
ALFA CLUB VIC 10 Hour Relay 2024 WINTON RACEWAY 12th - 13th October					
Approx. Entry fee \$2300 - \$2500 inc. GST per TEAM Auctual Fee will be determined from numbers that respond to EOI					
Please reply to Brett Bereau with expression of interest by COB next Thursday 8th August. ONE reply per team with an indication of number of drivers you wish to enter in team. Max 6 Min 3.					
Entry Elegibility - Drivers must be current financial members of either AROCA Vic or a club affiliated with Motorsport Australia and have a Motorsport Australia Speed or Speed Junior Licence or higher. LogBook (if issued)					
Entries from competitors under 18 years of age must be counter signed consented to by a parent/guardian.					
Further details to will be available in the coming weeks.					
For more information contact: Brett Bereau 0409 999 951 <u>compsec@alfaclubvic.org.au</u>					











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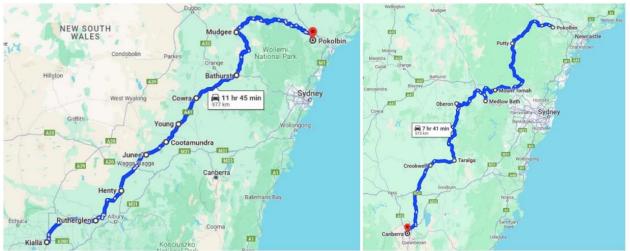
Tuesday 15th to Wednesday 23rd October

The **Alfisti Spring Tour 2024** commences near Shepparton and runs through the Riverina, Hilltops, Hunter Valley and back via the Blue Mountains to Canberra. Eight days of glorious Spring touring.

Proposed routes:

Central Victoria to the Hunter ...

returning via Canberra



Images from Google Maps are indicative of the route

To submit an *Expression of Interest* or if you have any questions about the Tour, contact either of the Tour organisers.

We look forward to welcoming you on yet another fabulous Alfisti Tour ...

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Concorso d'Eleganza

SUNDAY, 20 October 2024

9am - 3pm Gough Whitlam Park, Earlwood



- Enjoy camaraderie of Italian car owners The Alfa Display Class
- Have your Alfa in the Show & Shine Tasty food & drinks.
- Unique assembly of Alfas & other Italian makes

Mark this date in your diary, electronic calendar, or on the kitchen whiteboard, so that you will not miss this premier event in our AROCA calendar.

Once again, our club will use the two main fields to allow more space for the display of our members' cars. Come along and participate with your car on display. Get the polishing rags out and give your pride and joy a thorough going over. You will then be ready to enjoy an enjoyable day with fellow AROCA members and members of Fiat, Italian Made Social Motoring and Lancia Clubs.

Show & Shine vehicle classes will be the same as last year so that all models have their own class. There are twenty-two classes, and each will have a winner and a runner up. For details of the Show & Shine judging and classes, the same criteria will apply. <u>click here</u> for more.

Have your Alfa on the field between 9.00am and 10.00am. The Judging will commence at 10.30 am and conclude by 12.30 pm.

This year's Invitational Class will focus on rare Alfa Romeo Spiders and the Barchettas.

Club Shop - Club polo tops and caps will be available to purchase on the day.

We look forward to having you with us on the 20th.

For more information, please contact me.











AOMC Club & Trade Showcase

Saturday 26th October 2024, 10am to 2pm

The **Association of Motoring Clubs** (AOMC) has, for many years, run a Restoration Seminar allowing suppliers to showcase their products and services to clubs and their members.



The AOMC recognises the importance of specialist trades, parts & components suppliers and dedicated service providers. We also are very aware of how important loyal customers are to these businesses. Accordingly, we are doing something on a bigger scale that ever before, bringing traders and their club customers together for the inaugural **Club and Trade Showcase**. Organised by the AOMC, this event will be hosted by Shannons and held at their Melbourne headquarters in the space that was previously utilised for their auction showroom. We are inviting all traders and specialist providers to set up a trade display to showcase their products and services.

The event will be open to all club members as well as the general public and will be promoted through the Shannon's Club.

Venue: Shannons Melbourne, 40 Corporate Drive, Heatherton 3202

Entry by gold coin donation to the Robert Shannon Foundation.

Plenty of parking is available next door to Shannons Melbourne.

Coffee truck and sausage sizzle will be in attendance.















Alfa Romeo Owners' Club of Australia Victoria Division

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Loettacolo Festa 2024



<u>Spettacolo</u> is AROCA Victoria's major annual social display festival.

The Spettacolo Festa comprises three events (tickets for each will be available soon):

<u>Spettacolo</u> Concorso: for outstanding examples of classic Alfa Romeos (Judging occurs on Saturday 23rd with the award presentations on Sunday 24th)

Spettacolo **Dinner** on Saturday evening at the Village Green Hotel in Mulgrave (Tickets \$55 pp)

Spettacolo Show & Shine display on Sunday 24th from 9:00am 'til 3:00pm Held at Wesley College, 620 High Street Road, Glen Waverly

All Alfa Romeo enthusiasts, members and non-members alike, are invited and encouraged to attend Spettacolo. All Alfisti are invited to display their pride and joy in either the Concorso or the Show & Shine competitions.

The Club's Committee members, Club Membership officers, Club Shop (club merchandise), food and coffee vendors are all available throughout the day.

Trophies, which are donated by the Club's Sponsors, are presented to the winners of each class. There are typically about 30 categories judged each year which include all models of Alfa from the earliest to the latest, separated according to Sedan, Coupe and Spider.

Photographs of the winners will also be published in the Club's magazine Cross + Serpent.



Photos by lan Roberts







Preparing your car for display at Spettacolo 2024

By Concorso Director: Bruce Roberts

Work is progressing on AROCA Vic's biggest annual event, *Spettacolo*, and it is time for you to start preparing your car for display. The 2023 event attracted about 350 examples of our favourite Italian marque.

The 2024 event returns to the manicured lawns of the Wesley College Glen Waverley campus (620 High Street Road) on Sunday 24th November 2024.

To display your Alfa Romeo at **Spettacolo** just turn up on the day and pay the \$10 admission fee at the gate. You will then be directed to the appropriate area for your Alfa Romeo. You will also be provided with a **Show & Shine** entry form / score sheet which you need to complete and submit to the HQ Tent if you want your Alfa Romeo included in the <u>optional</u> **Show & Shine** Competition.

Depending on how keen you are at polishing and detailing, now is the time to choose your path to the huge *Spettacolo* car display and possibly a great prize to reward your efforts. Have a close look at your Alfa, make a list of those items you have been meaning to tidy up to make your car look its best.

Getting a car into show condition always takes more effort and time than we think, so start early. There will be two levels of display competition for members to choose from this year:

• Show & Shine: Proud owners of good clean Alfa Romeos are encouraged to enter the Show & Shine event, which will be judged on presentation at Spettacolo on Sunday 24th November.

The judges will inspect your car's exterior and interior for cleanliness. Cars will compete in the categories defined by the Club's Registers. A tie breaker can be used to determine a winner.

Make sure that you submit a **Show & Shine** entry form on the day, or your Alfa Romeo may be overlooked. Entering the Show & Shine is optional and it is free.

Concorso: Members with standout examples of their Alfa Romeo model may choose to enter the Concorso event, which is judged on presentation and authenticity (except the Modified Class). This event will be judged on the day before Spettacolo – Saturday 23rd November – at Mauceri Motors.

Judges will inspect paint, chrome, detailing of the exterior, interior and boot, cleanliness and detailing of the engine bay, under wheel arches and – in the case of a tie – the chassis will be inspected on a hoist. All operating systems – lights, horn, wipers, etc – will be tested.

Concorso will be scored according to the International Chief Judge Advisory Group (ICJAG) system. This system has been used at Concorso in recent years and is used at most major Concours d'Elegance including Pebble Beach, Amelia Island, Villa d'Este, Blenheim Palace, Sydney Harbour and previously at Motorclassica.



Concorso entrants 2013







Concorso entry forms and payment details for the \$85 Concorso entry fee will be advised soon. To give more members a chance to compete in *Concorso*, the Class structure has been expanded:

- 1. Vintage Alfa Romeos manufactured prior to 1950.
- 2. 1900, all 750 and 101 Giuliettas, 2000/2600 and TZ models.
- 3. All 105s including Giulia, Coupe, Spider, Montreal, Junior Z models.
- 4. All 900 Alfasud, Sud Sprint and Alfa 33 models.
- 5. All 116 Alfetta and Giulietta models.
- 6. All post-116 models including Alfa 90, Alfa 75, ES30 (SZ & RZ), Alfa 164 and Tipo 916 cars (manufactured prior to 1999 and eligible for historic permit plates).
- 7. Modern Classic cars built from 1999 to 2004 including 916, 147, 156, 166 on full registration.
- 8. Preservation This class is first judged for originality/authenticity. Only non-restored cars made before 2004 that are clean, fully operational examples in well preserved original condition are eligible. Work done for roadworthy, safety, routine maintenance, and minor cosmetic/structural/operational work to exterior, chassis, interior and mechanicals repairs following accident damage are permitted but must be declared. Seriously deteriorated "barn finds", or static, non-running cars are not eligible.
- 9. **Modified** any pre-2004 Alfa Romeo that has been modified in body, interior or mechanicals. For example, fast road and/or track cars.

As we progress with the plans for the **Show & Shine** and **Concorso** it may be necessary to make changes along the way which will be posted on the web site, so please stay informed.

To make your *Spettacolo* 2024 a year to remember, we hope you will join in the fun and excitement of entering one of the *Spettacolo* display competitions.

AROCA Victoria is grateful to Mauceri Motors for their sponsorship of Spettacolo's Concorso.









AROCA Spettacolo 2024 - Celebrating 60 years of the Alfa Romeo Giulia

The Spettacolo organizers invite Alfisti to join them at the

Lpettacolo 2024 Dinner



Venue: The Village Green Hotel, Mulgrave ...

with dinner in the Copper Fox Room

Date: Saturday 23rd November

Time: 6:30 pm for 7:00 pm

Cost: \$55 pp (includes booking fee) - set menu. Drinks at bar prices

All bookings are to be made through **Eventbrite**:

Click here to book for the Spettacolo Dinner

Menu:

Entrée:

Spinach & ricotta cheese ravioli in a creamy mushroom sauce Beef & crispy noodle salad

Main:

Lamb Targine: Slow cooked lamb with tomatoes, vegetables, fresh herbs, nuts, apricots with couscous, potatoes and green beans.

Chicken Roulade: Breast fillets filled with goats cheese, wrapped in prosciutto served with mashed potatoes, vegetables and a red wine jus.

To Follow:

Shared platter of regional Victorian cheeses

We look forward to Club members' participation as it is anticipated that many regional and interstate AROCA members will be in Melbourne to enjoy this important annual event.

Booking is essential as places are limited to 50 max, so please book early.

To book, use the Eventbrite link above

AROCA Victoria thanks the following organisations for their sponsorship of this event:











For more information contact: Brett Bereau 0409 999 951 compsec@alfaclubvic.org.au







Goldfields Xmas Drive to Waubra

Sunday 8th December



The Springs Hotel - Waubra

9:00am - Meet in the Lucas 'Woolworths' Car Park (Northwest corner) - Liburne St. Lucas

9:30am – drive via backroads via Carngham to **Beaufort**. (71km 50mins)

10:20 -11:30am – Coffee, snack, and stroll around **Beaufort** – several Cafes and shops in the main street.

11:30am – drive to Waubra via Elmhurst, Avoca & Lexton. (97km 1hr 10m)

1:00pm – Group lunch at The Springs Hotel 2073 Sunraysia Highway, Waubra.

If you are planning to attend this event, but as yet haven't booked in, please contact me ASAP so that I can lock in our group's numbers with the hotel.

Bookings ARE ESSENTIAL and WILL CLOSE on 1/12/24

Please e-mail your booking to Leon: goldfieldschapter@alfaclubvic.org.au







Targa Classica 2025



Albury /Wodonga | Mitchelton/Nagambie | Melbourne

Monday 10th -Thursday 13th March 2025

Gearing up for Targa Classica 2025!

With event preparations in full swing, we are gearing up for the biggest and best Targa Classica yet in 2025!

Get ready for a remarkable journey as, for the first time, we start in NSW, exploring some of the region's high country and surrounding roads over two days. Then, we head through Victoria's high country, via Winton to Michelton Winery, and finally after a circuit of the Broadford track we drive south and finish in the heart of Melbourne. This year's route promises breathtaking scenery and thrilling drives, making it an unforgettable experience for all participants.

Registration spots are still open, so don't hesitate - Register for Targa Classica 2025

Celebrate automotive history with a sensational selection of classic and modern cars. Enjoy driving on some of the most beautiful and iconic roads Australia has to offer. Immerse yourself in local culture with a four-day festival built on unique community experiences.



Fuel your passion and <u>register</u> today for a seat in 2025.



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News from the Alfa Romeo Owners' Club of Australia (Victoria Division) Inc.

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. In Hahndorf you will find the historic German Arms Hotel, The Hahndorf Academy art gallery, the Berenberg Farm and nearby, The Cedars, that houses the studio and art of landscape painter Sir Hans Heysen..

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 Questions? Contact Jim Delaine 0407792598 or jim-alfesta2025@alfaclubsa.org.au













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... to the contributors to this edition of *Notitie Offisti*: Leon Cottle, Graeme Peake, Bruce Baum, Ivan Ciardullo (dec), Max Maltese, Sue Henderson and John Hanslow. 240928

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 or editor@alfaclubvic.org.au

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

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 <u>all</u> club merchandise enquiries to <u>shop@alfaclubvic.org.au</u>.

AROCA Victoria Advertising & Marketing

To sponsor AROCA Victoria and/or advertise in AROCA Victoria's publications: **Cross + Serpent**; *Notirie alfisti*; and the web site <u>AlfaClubVIC.org.au</u> email: <u>President@alfaclubvic.org.au</u>

Notizie Alfisti and Cross + Serpent

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

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 – <u>click here for the page</u>.

Contact

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

Email correspondence to: <u>cps@alfaclubvic.org.au</u> (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 <u>Click Here</u>.

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 selfaddressed envelope to "CPS, PO Box 7076, Banyule Vic 3084".
- 8. Email the digital photos to "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 to: <u>cps@alfaclubvic.org.au</u>.

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Club Permit Scheme - Permit Renewals

The easiest way to renew CPS 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, email a copy of the Club plate renewal form to <u>cps@alfaclubvic.org.au</u>;

5. The CPS Officer will then email you a completed and signed Club Endorsement Form, provided you are a financial member of the Club;

6. Once you have the signed Club Endorsement 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 <u>and</u> registration renewal certificate (signed by you); you can then pay your club registration by following the instructions.

Renewing CPS 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. Select the 45 or 90 day option.
- 4. Obtain a stamped, self-addressed, envelope.
- 5. Send renewal form and stamped, self-addressed, envelope to "CPS, PO Box 7076 Banyule Vic 3084".

6. The CPS Officer will check the membership records and then return the signed renewal form to you if you are a current financial member.

7. Upon receipt of the signed renewal form, take the signed renewal form and payment to VicRoads.

8. The renewal form has the option of allowing the vehicle owner to pay the renewal fee by enclosing a cheque made payable to Vic Roads. If you want to do that, enclose a cheque payable to Vic Roads, but ensure that the stamped, self-addressed, envelope you enclose is addressed to Vic Roads. The registration renewal form also requires your signature, so be sure to sign it as the permit holder as well. The CPS officer will then mail the registration renewal form to Vic Roads on your behalf.

Renewing CPS 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.

Club Permit Scheme - 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.

















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?)

WEATHER (Hot, Cold, Wet, Dry, Terrible, Gorgeous

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

YOUR NAME & CONTACT DETAILS

Your eyewitness or participant report will help bring more colour and relevance to your magazine

Please email this form and photos (jpeg format) to <u>editor@alfaclubvic.org.au</u>

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