



Alfa Romeo
FLORIDA
ALFA CLUB

Alfa Notizia

September 2013

School's back in, Summer's over, hurricane season is not and we're about to start another wonderful winter season in Florida ! As usual, we begin with a beach party at Ft DeSoto Beach, near Tierra Verde just west of the Sunshine Skyway Bridge. Sunday, October 13, 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Bring your barbecue food ready to cook, the pits will be lit for you. Please RSVP to Jeff Hanson at (941) 981-3489 or jshvt@yahoo.com.

After that is the biggest, annual Alfa gathering in Florida, **Viva Alfa Romeo**, Saturday, November 2nd. The Mid Florida Alfa Club gathers 65+ Alfas and Fiats on the cobblestone, main street of picturesque Celebration next to Disney World. Bring yours, show it and share it with the rest of us ! Fliers and registration form are attached. Register before October 19 and save \$5.00

The year's grand finale is the Christmas party held the evening of Dec 7th at our *Alfano's* in Clearwater. Please RSVP to Polly Claus soon so she can finalize arrangements and keep the price low. (727) 799-1486, pollyhgreene@yahoo.com.



158 Alfetta



Fangio getting in an Alfaf



1900 Sport

Sometime soon Frank Mann is going to lead a "barn find" trip to Dave Wilson's barn and warehouse in St Pete. Read the attached story about Frank and John Picot's trip there in August. If you're interested, contact Frank at (727) 254-9723, fmann1@tampabay.rr.com.

For Sale

er, Free! John Ostrominski, up in the panhandle, sold his 1976 2 ltr Alfetta and has a gasket set to give away. Set includes: 2 head gaskets, one OEM and one copper; 1 cam cover gasket; 1 intake manifold gasket; 4 carburetor gaskets; 6 copper exhaust manifold gaskets for header conversion; and 20 miscellaneous gaskets. John will even pay the shipping to anywhere in CONUS. He also has a windshield to give away but the recipient will have to provide transportation. (850) 678-3150, ostromin@cox.net. John lives in Niceville, near Eglin AFB, about 60 miles east of Pensacola.

For Sale: See the last attachment, a new parts supplier for you with Giulia berlinas, berlinettas or 66-69 spiders.

2013

September 12th, 7:30-8:30 PM, Business Meeting at Jason's Deli on Hwy 19 in Clearwater. Come early and enjoy a delicious deli dinner with us !

September 21st, 7:30-10:00 AM, Cars & Coffee, duPont Registry, St Pete.

October 5th, 8:00-10:00 AM, Cars & Coffee, Suncoast Porsche, Sarasota.

October 10th, 7:30-8:30 PM, Business Meeting at Jason's on 19th in Clearwater.

October 13th, Sunday, 11:00-3:00 PM, Begin the Season Beach Party at Ft DeSoto. Line up the cars, women judge and men barbecue !

October 19th, 7:30-10:00 AM, Cars & Coffee at duPont Registry, St Pete.

November 2nd, Saturday, 9:00 AM- 3:00 PM, *Viva Alfa Romeo* at Celebration next to Disney World. Largest gathering of Alfas in Florida. Join the show !

November 10th, Sunday, 8:00 AM 4:00 PM, Winter Park Concours.

November 14th, 7:30-8:30 PM, Business Meeting at Jason's jubaliscious Deli !

November 16th, 7:30-10:00 AM, Car & Coffee at duPont Registry, St Pete.

December 7th, 8:00-10:00 AM, Cars & Coffee, Suncoast Porsche, Sarasota.

December 7th, Saturday, 7:00-10:00 PM, *Merry Christmas Dinner.*

FLORIDA ALFA CLUB

Begin the Season



*at one of the most
beautiful beaches
in all of America,
At DeSoto Beach!*

*Sunday, October 13th,
11:00 am - 3:00 pm
just west of the
Sunshine Skyway Bridge.*



Shady Shelter #3 is reserved. The barbecue pits will be lit. We line our Alfas up in the parking area in front; "Judging" will be "Spectator's Choice" by women only.

**RSVP to Jeff Hanson. (941) 981-3489
jshvt@yahoo.com**

Hot August Days Barn Find

I have had a very interesting couple of "Car" days lately that I thought I would share with you. No, I did not buy anything, but I did find some amazing vintage cars and got to see some unbelievably restored cars here in St Petersburg and it wasn't even at a car show.

Another of the Florida Alfa Club members, John Picot, asked me to go with him to a barn and dig around for a used hood for his 69 Alfa GTV that he is restoring. So I put on my old boots and grabbed a flash light. We ended up at the house of an 80 year old man called Dave Wilson. Dave is colorful and eccentric; he greeted us at the door wearing just a pair of Bermuda shorts and a cigar that Churchill would have been proud of hanging out of his mouth. Inside Dave's garage was a 1959 Silver Alfa Romeo Giulietta Sprint Normale and piled high all around it was every kind of spare part you can image for a vintage Alfa. He took us up stairs and we found more boxes stacked to the roof. He had four complete dashes for Duetto spiders, 20 bumpers and 15 windshields and boxes of tail lights and chrome of all kinds. He had at least 15 complete engines with transmission and all the trimmings as well. John asked him if he had this small piece of chrome for his car and Dave pointed at a stack of 50 old wooden cigar boxes and said yeh, sure, look in there. John found it.

Apparently Dave used to have several other cars behind his house but he said the City made him haul them off and crush them. After digging around in his garage attic for an hour or so he decided to take us to another place where he had even more parts. Inside that garage was a 1965 red Alfa Giulia under a tarp and next to it were over 50 alloy wheels and tires for all kinds of Alfas. And a hard top to what looked like to an old Austin Healey. Next he took us to an old hot rod shop close by where he was storing two cars: a 1967 Step Nose Alfa GTV in primer and the rest of that Austin Healey 3000. The Healey needed paint but it was all there. In the back of the shop was a half restored 57 Chevy and a clean 1958 Buick with three deuces under the hood. After this place Dave took us over to a warehouse that was originally an old Oakland/Huppmobile/Studebaker/Dodge dealership in the 1920s and still has the dealership's name painted on the outside. It took two of us to open the door but once inside there were cars parked so tight you couldn't walk between most of them. He had six Duetto spiders, four Supers and one Ti along with six other later spiders and one Maserati Bi Turbo.

Once inside, 80 year old Dave climbed a 40 foot ladder to get up into the rafters of this warehouse and drug down a steel hood for a 69 Alfa. I was worried he would fall. The black guy he had with us who does odd jobs for him was under the ladder like Willie Mays ready to catch him if he did. Dave showed no fear. Then he gave us a price for every car and told us if we buy four of them he would give us the Maserati. What a character. He later gave me his business card with "Trio-Con-Brio" on it which, according to Dave, means three toys in Italian.

I knew I didn't have room to buy any of Dave's cars. That evening I went on the internet and found a vintage car restorer in Atlanta, a French guy called Cyril, who owns the old Ferrari dealership in Tucker, GA, who was looking for 50's and 60's sports cars to restore. I told him about Dave's hoard and a couple of days later he drove down to see them all. So John and I took him to meet Dave. As usual Dave was his colorful self, no shirt and stogie stuck in his mouth. As the Atlanta guy was looking over the cars in the main warehouse Dave was sitting under a shade tree outside drinking a cold beer with his helper standing behind him. Dave was yelling out the history of each car and quoting prices when I noticed his helper shaking his head and mouthing the words, "Just wait till he is gone and his wife will give them away to you". When I saw this I started laughing and had to turn away so Dave wouldn't see my reaction. The guy from Atlanta bought the Healy.

Before we left Dave asked me which cars I was interested in and asked that I write them down with my contact information so he could give it to his wife, just in case he passed away before we could come to a deal. I laughed and told him it might be easier if he just adopted me because there might be less paper work.

Before we left I introduced myself to Dave's wife who was hanging out clothes to dry under their huge Mango tree. I told her we were trying to help Dave move some of his cars. She smiled and gave me the silent, folded hand, Hindu, "Thank you" then offered me a sack of fresh mangos. Before we left I reached in my car and pulled out a bottle of Andreotti cabernet and gave it to her. I told her it came from the winery of Mario Andreotti. She asked if I thought Dave would let her drink it if he knew that. I smiled and told here I didn't tell Dave where it came from and she laughed out loud as we left.

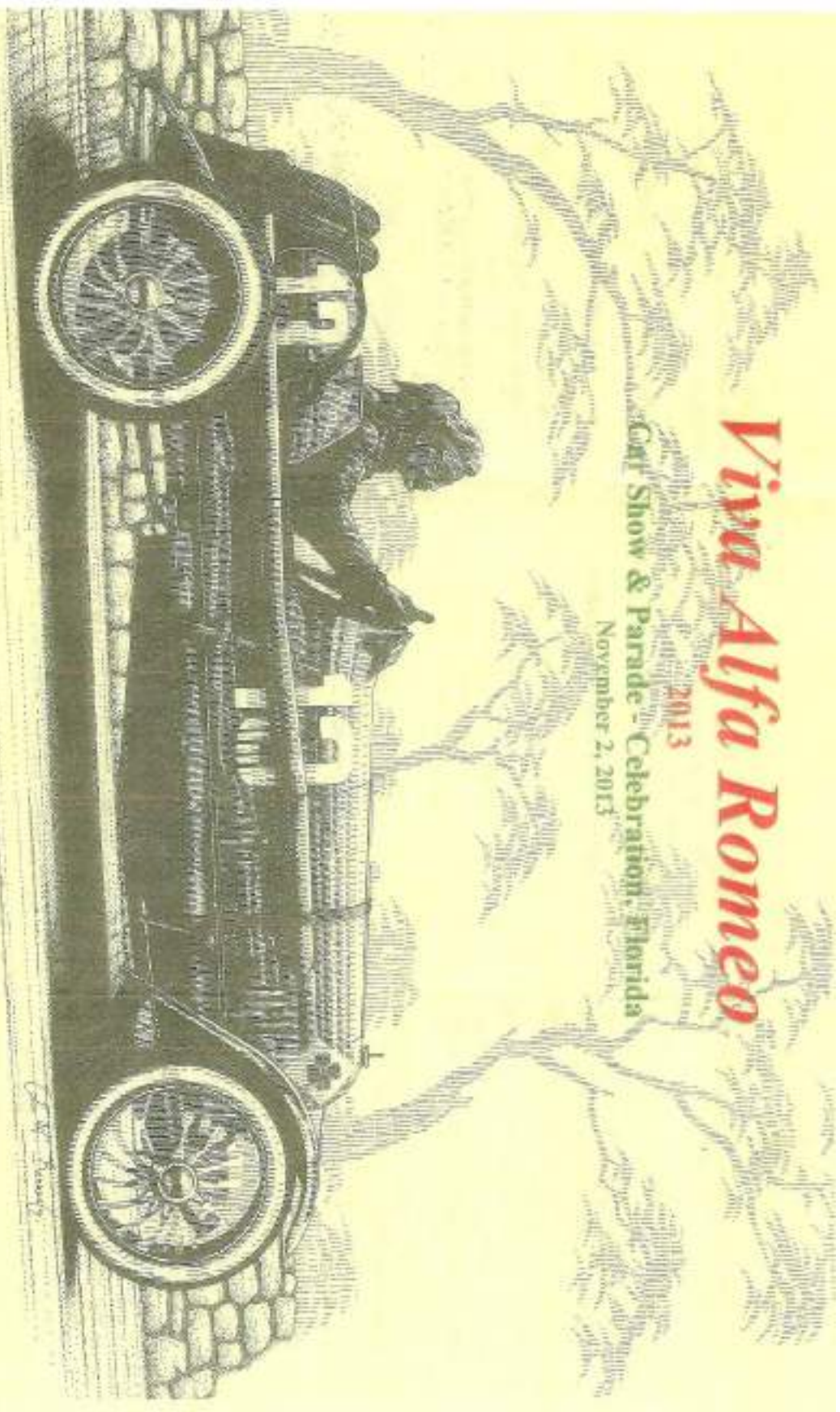
Frank Mann

Viva Alfa Romeo

2013

Car Show & Parade - Celebration, Florida

November 2, 2013



Alfa Romeo RLTF (Targa Florio)

Alfa Romeo and her mechanic winning the 1923 Targa Florio in their RLTF "Super Sports." This was the first international victory for Alfa Romeo, and one of many for the RLTF, the most pure Alfa racing car.



**MID FLORIDA ALFA ROMEO OWNERS
CLUB, INC.**

Dear Auto Enthusiast:

Viva Alfa Romeo Car Show 2013 is the eleventh of Mid Florida AROC's annual *Viva Alfa Romeo Car Show and Parade.*

This gala event, scheduled for November 2nd, is strictly for Alfa Romeo & Fiat automobiles of every year and model.

The purpose of the event is to strengthen the bonds of fellowship among all participating Alfistas and Fiatists, to recognize those who have striven to maintain autos of rare design or condition and to provide a venue where we may display the virtues of our autos to the general public.

The site we have chosen is Market Street, in the heart of downtown Celebration, Florida. The town has agreed to cordon off the main block of this beautiful busy street as our show site. The town of Celebration has been highly publicized and draws visitors from around the world. The location is ideal for attracting a large number of spectators during the entire time of the exhibition. Following the show period, our cars will be driven along a parade route through Celebration. We look forward to a great time together.

Those who participate by exhibiting their Alfa Romeos during the show will receive a welcome bag of memorabilia and will be eligible for awards based on judging.

For further information, contact:

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Winter Park, FL 32792
407-657-4477
E-Mail: bmann@cflrr.com

Howard Bernstein, Pres.
225 S. Shadowbay Blvd
Longwood, FL 32779
(407) 774-7947
E-Mail: alface@cfllr.com

Directions to Celebration Show Site:

From north: I-4 W to exit #64 to U.S. 192 east (Kissimmee/Celebration). Turn right on Celebration Avenue to Market St.

From the east and south: I-95 to Beeline (Toll 528 W) exit onto S.R. 417 S. Take exit 2 toward U.S. 192 east. Take ramp to Celebration. Turn left on Celebration Avenue to Market Street.

From the west: I-4 E to exit 62, toward S.R. 417 N. Merge onto S.R. 417 via exit #24 E. Take exit #2 toward U.S. 192 E (Celebration). Turn right on Celebration Avenue to Market Street.

From northwest: Florida Turnpike south to exit #289. Follow U.S. 27 south and merge onto U.S. 192 east. Turn right on Celebration Avenue to Market Street.

Schedule of events:

Friday Evening, Nov. 1, 2013 - 7:00 PM
Group Dinner in private room -
Ming Court
9188 International Drive,
Orlando, FL 32819

Saturday Nov. 2, 2013
Viva Alfa Romeo Show
8:30 AM to 9:30 AM Parking
10:00 AM to 3:30 PM Display
3:00 PM to 3:30 PM Awards
3:30 PM to 4:00 PM Parade through
Celebration

5:00PM Group Dinner in private room -
Olive Garden
5021 W. Ito Bronson Highway
Kissimmee, FL 34746

Special Rate Hotel:
Comfort Suites Maingate East
2775 Florida Plaza Blvd.
Kissimmee, FL 34746
Phone (407) 397-7848

Mention Mid Florida Alfa Romeo Club for special rate of \$81.10 including maid service and tax. Block of rooms at this rate will be held through 10/12/13

Viva Alfa Romeo
Car Show 2013 in Celebration, FL
Saturday, November 2, 2013

EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION FORM

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____ PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

SIGNATURE _____

(Your signature confirms you are in agreement with the terms on the reverse side)

VEHICLE INFORMATION

1. YEAR _____ MODEL _____ COLOR _____

2. YEAR _____ MODEL _____ COLOR _____

3. YEAR _____ MODEL _____ COLOR _____

REGISTRATION

Up to October 19th, Pre-Registered Vehicle - \$20.00
(additional vehicles may be entered at no additional charge)

Please Note Late Registration Fee:
Registration after October 19th - \$25.00

Please make check or money order payable to Mid Florida AROC, Inc.

Reservations for Friday night dinner: Number attending _____, Will not attend _____

Reservations for Saturday night dinner: Number attending _____, Will not attend _____

Please mail registration form with check to:

Norman Burnstine, Treasurer

102 Cambridge Drive

Longwood, FL 32779

SHOW HOURS: Parking for display 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM

Display Hours 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Parade through Celebration 4:00 PM to 4:30 PM

Viva Alfa Romeo
Car Show
Celebration, FL
November 2, 2013
Exhibitor Terms and Conditions

1. *Viva Alfa Romeo* reserves the right to ask any party, not observing the standards set forth here and the reverse, but not limited to these standards, to immediately leave the property.
2. Pets or animals of any nature or type are not allowed at the event, except for those who's owners are sight impaired.
3. As a condition of displaying their cars, exhibitors agree to leave their cars in place from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM on 11/2/2013
4. Only qualified and registered vehicles will be allowed to park in the exhibitor area.
5. Canopies, banners or other signage relating to exhibitor cars, or other interests, are not allowed, with the exception of a descriptive placard which may be positioned directly in front of the car or on the dash. "For Sale" signs are prohibited unless written permission is received.
6. All exhibitors are required to have full insurance policies in effect for their display vehicles.
7. No soliciting is allowed, including, but not limited to, handing out of any material, brochures or offerings of any kind without the written permission of the show organizers in advance of the show.

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

In consideration of being accepted to participate, the participant, by his or her signature on the reverse, acknowledges that:

THE PARTICIPANT AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS. Mid Florida AROC, Inc., *VIVA ALFA ROMEO*, its owners and affiliates, event sponsors, Celebration, Florida, all participating clubs, and any and all employees or contractors or their assigns from any loss, liability or damage caused to the participant's personal property while on the property of Celebration, Florida.

THE PARTICIPANT WARRANTS THAT automotive liability and property insurance is attached to the vehicle that has been registered for this event. The participant understands that the participants vehicle insurance will be solely responsible for any property damage or liability claims that occur at the *Viva Alfa Romeo* 2010 event at Celebration, Florida.

THE PARTICIPANT AGREES that any property damage to Celebration, Florida as a result of negligent behavior on the participant's part, will be the sole responsibility of the participant.

THE PARTICIPANT AGREES that he or she has read and agrees to the terms and conditions of the Release and Waiver of Liability and Indemnity Agreement, prior to the voluntary signing on the reverse of this form, and that this agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties.



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