

Alfa Romeo

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Editorial Comments: Check out the Alfa Photo Montage and list of great upcoming events!



Alfa Romeo Selection of the

Month for November 2015.

Car Name: Alfa Romeo Scighera



Alfa Photo Montage:

Alfa 4C from the rear – Beautiful lines – compare the styling of the 4C to the new Ferrari 488 below



Although not identical – a lot of the lines look similar – twice the cylinders and 4 times the price!



Alfa Photo Montage Continued:

Interesting that the Montreal is the only one not in “Rossa” but what a collection!

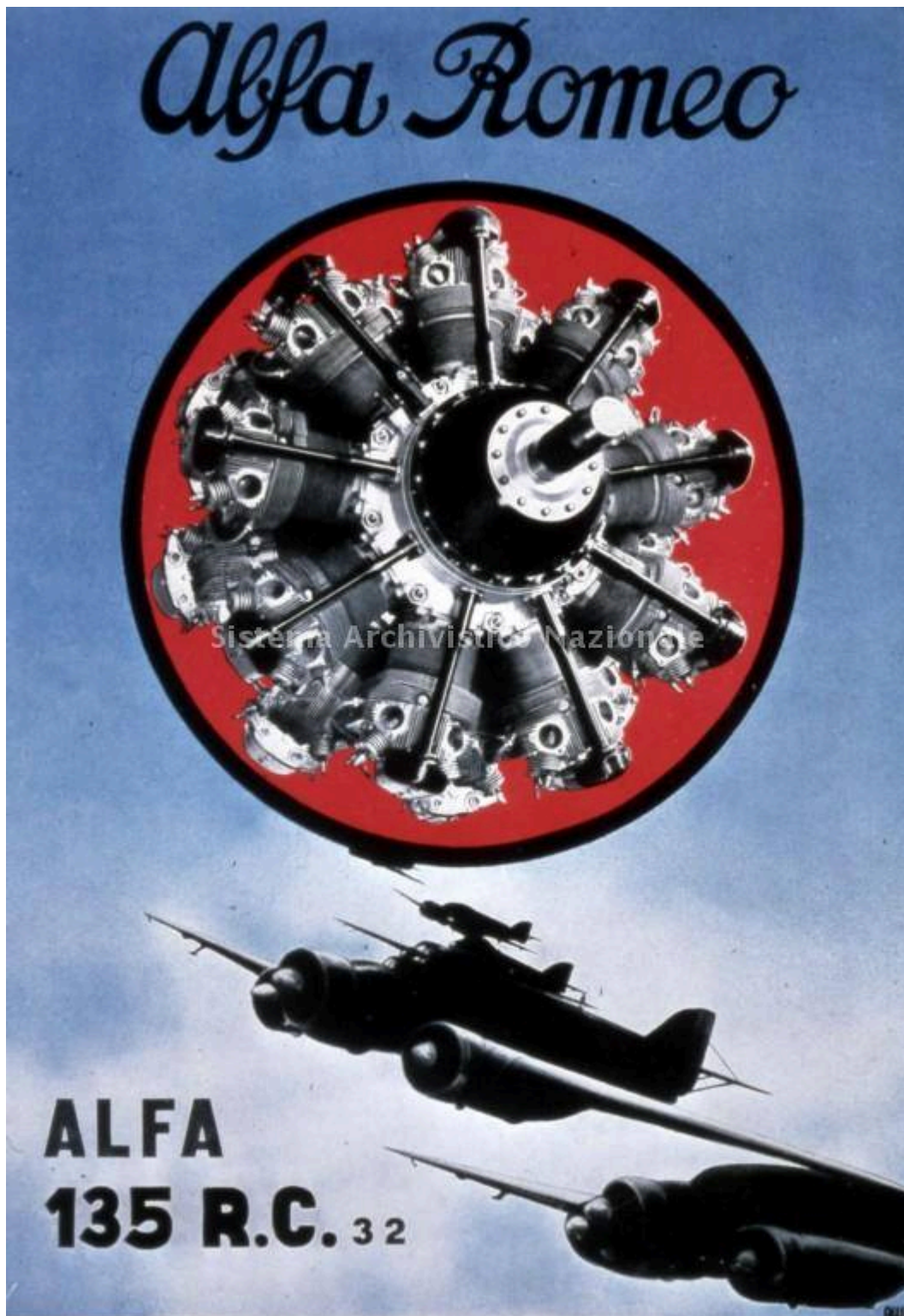


Alfa TZ1 through the new Zagato TZ3 Stradale



Alfa Photo Montage Continued:

Did you know Alfa also made aircraft engines among other things?



Alfa Photo Montage Continued:

Vintage Alfas at Pebble Beach:



Alfa Photo Montage Continued:

The amazing lines of the original Disco Volante – a 50's design way ahead of its time!



2013 Alfa Disco Volante – Based on the 8C and still one of my favorites!



Alfa Photo Montage Continues:

The Alfa 8C



The new Alfa Giulia Sports Wagon – Imagine a 507 HP Ferrari engine taking you to shop for groceries!



Recent Events: St Petersburg Yacht Club Vintage Car Show

The St. Pete Yacht Club and Vinoy Hotel are a perfect place for viewing vintage cars on a sunny Florida afternoon followed by a quick lunch at the Vinoy Hotel's Buffet. You had your chance last Sunday November 8th although shorten some by a late arriving rain shower which cause many to bug out early.

All those who attended said it was a great day with some great looking cars. Two of our FAC members won trophies – Barry Andress for his newly restored Alfa GTV in the sports car category as well as Ruggero & Carla Santilli for their Sprint Zagato in the race car category.

Barry Andress with his Alfa GTV and recent Trophy – Congratulations Barry for another win!



Recent Events Continued:

Here is a photo of Ruggero & Carla Santilli's rare and beautiful 1957 Alfa Giulietta Sprint Veloce Zagato. Ruggero's SZ won the race car category at the St Pete Yacht Club event and rightfully so with this historic alloy bodied race car with dozens of documented races under its belt.



Note: Modeling today in front of the Alfa Sprint Veloce Zagato is Bob Scott's wife Carolyn. Ruggero and Carla Santilli spent most of the night before the show on the balcony of their Vinoy Hotel room gazing at the stars with his custom designed telescopes searching for Anti-Matter in faraway Galaxies. I suspect several espressos were required to make it to the show the next day! With hobbies like this Ruggero definitely has his eyes on the past and the future.

Up Coming Events:

Annual Ft DeSoto Picnic and Car Show – Sunday Nov. 15th



Join us for the Florida Alfa Club's Annual Fort DeSoto Picnic and Car Show. This year we are extending an invitation to the SW FL. & Mid FL. Alfa Clubs as well as other select Sports Car clubs to join us. As a result we will be providing a block of rooms at a local Hotel for overnight stays Saturday night before the event, as well as organizing a dinner Saturday night for people arriving early for the picnic Sunday.

Fort DeSoto Beach and Park



The event starts at 11:00AM located at Shelter #2 - RSVP to Harmon Heed

More Upcoming Events:

Annual FAC Holiday Luncheon at Alfano's Dec. 5th at 11:00AM



Join us for our annual Holiday Luncheon at Alfano's restaurant located at:

1702 Clearwater-Largo Road

Clearwater, FL.

PH: 727-584-2125

Alfano's has great Italian, steaks and seafood with one of the area's best award winning wine list. We typically have a large private room for our party, and since we now hold it as a luncheon, there is plenty of safe and secure parking. So be sure to bring your vintage or new Alfa out, dust off your best holiday attire and come celebrate the holidays with all your friends in the Florida Alfa Club at Alfano's restaurant Saturday December 5th.

Polly usually has several giveaway bags for everyone, and this year she has been to Italy shopping so expect them to be unique and different this year. Contact Polly Greene to reserve a spot at pollygreene@yahoo.com or by phone at 727-439-2019.



More Upcoming Events: Festivals of Speed – Orlando – Sunday December 6th



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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5 2015

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6 2015, 10AM-4PM
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For sponsorship inquiries to the weekend's events call Joe Sabatini

Upcoming Events:

Alfa Romeo

Florida Alfa Club
Annual Polo Match and Tailgate Meet
SUNDAY, JANUARY 31, 2016

175 exit 213 then east on University to Lorraine road. Turn right to second gate. Follow signs.

**GATES OPEN AT 11:00AM. MATCHES START AT 1:00PM.
BRING YOUR LUNCH, DRINKS AND SHARED GOODIES**



COST: \$15.00 PER PERSON

Email or call Bob Scott for reservations or information
(817) 313 2945 rlscott007@gmail.com

Up Coming Events

November 2015 Events:

Sarasota Café Racers – Wednesdays, November 4th and 18th, 11:30AM – Harmon Heed

St Petersburg Yacht Club Car Show – Sunday, November 8th

Tampa Bay Café Racers – November 11th, 11:30AM – Backcourt Café on Ulmerton – Frank Mann

Club Business Meeting on Nov. 12th, 6:30PM at Taziki's Café on Ulmerton

Annual Ft DeSoto Picnic and Car Show – November 15th, - Harmon Heed

DuPont Cars & Coffee on November 21st, 7-9 AM

Tampa Bay Café Racers – November 25th, 11:30 AM – Backcourt Café on Ulmerton – Frank Mann

December 2015 Events:

Sarasota Café Racers – Wednesdays, December 2nd and 16th, 11:30AM – Harmon Heed

Club Annual Christmas Holiday Luncheon – December 5th, 11:30AM – Alfanos – Polly Greene

Festival of Speed – Sunday December 6th – Orlando Ritz Carlton 10:00AM – 4:00PM – Joe Sabatini

Tampa Bay Café Racers – December 9th, 11:30AM – Backcourt Café on Ulmerton – Frank Mann

DuPont Cars & Coffee on December 19th, 7-9 AM

Tampa Bay Café Racers – December 23rd, 11:30 AM – Backcourt Café on Ulmerton – Frank Mann

January 2016 Event:

Sarasota Café Racers – Wednesdays, January 6th and 20th, 11:30AM – Harmon Heed

Club Business Meeting - Thursday Jan 8th – Taziki's Café on Ulmerton – 6:30PM

Tampa Bay Café Racers – January 13th, 11:30AM – Backcourt Café on Ulmerton – Frank Mann

DuPont Cars & Coffee on January 16th, 7-9 AM

Tampa Bay Café Racers – January 27, 11:30 AM – Backcourt Café on Ulmerton

Polo Match & Tail Gate Event Sunday Jan. 31st – Sarasota Polo Fields – Bob Scott

Cars for Sale:



Car for Sale: 1991 Alfa Romeo 164:

Jane has decided to sell her beloved 91 Alfa Romeo 164. The Alfa has 205,000 miles on it, but only 141,000 miles on the engine. The car is straight with no accidents. No rust. Always garaged. Synthetic oil always. Service records from new. New clutch and clutch hydraulics. Drives great. Leather seats and alloy wheels. Pictures available on request. \$3000 OBO. Call Bart Bartel at 386-385-3300 or email at alfabart@aol.com.





More Business: Advertisers & Recommended Shops

If you know of a body or paint shop, dealer or service provider that you would recommend and would like to share with the rest of the Alfa Romeo World, this space is available for them to advertise at very reasonable rates. As owners of vintage Alfa Romeos we all have stories of the car that went in for a paint job only to be left sitting endlessly and eventually held for hostage, or the mechanical shop that caused more oil leaks than the car came in with. Send us your list of shops that you are proud to recommend to other Alfa owners and help us spread the word.

With the upcoming introduction of the new Alfa 4C and the fleet of Alfas to follow it, many of our local Fiat-Alfa Dealers are gearing up for the new 4C's introduction. The Florida Alfa Club has offered to help promote these 4C introduction events by bringing several of our Vintage Alfa for display during the dealer's events. If you have an Alfa-Fiat dealer near you that would like us to participate as well by bringing our cars to their kickoff events, please ask them to contact us here for scheduling. Also mention to the dealer in your area that advertising here reaches a targeted market of Alfa Romeo enthusiasts already sold on the brand and a valuable source for potential future Alfa customers.

If you are organizing a car show or an event and you would like the Florida Alfa Club to participate in your event by either bringing out several unique and pristine vintage Alfa Romeo's for display at the car show, or our membership to participate in a charity drive and/or similar event, feel free to contact us here. You can also advertise your event here as well. Contact us directly on how to do that and for a list of reasonable rates.

Alfa Update:

A long time FAC member Dave Wilson, aka Trio Con Brio Dave, has been collecting rare Alfas and Alfa parts for the better part of 60 years as anyone who have visited his numerous warehouses can attest to. Due to ongoing health related issues, Dave and his lovely wife need to sell everything, so anyone looking for a rare spider, Duetto, or GTV or two truck-loads (and I mean large trucks) of hard to find Alfa parts please give Dave a call at 727-526-1378 or at mzpat877@msn.com

More Business: Advertisers:



The business card features the Alfa Romeo logo on the left and the Fiat logo on the right. The text "WINTER HAVEN" is prominently displayed in the center. Below the name, the address "190 Ave K SW • Winter Haven, FL 33880" is listed. A portrait of Jon Mospaw, a man with a white beard and glasses wearing a red shirt, is on the bottom left. To the right of the portrait, his name "Jon Mospaw" and title "Sales" are printed. Further right, contact information is provided: Direct: 863-837-3135, Phone: 863-595-2135, Fax: 863-595-2172, email: Jon@FIATofWinterHaven.com, website: FIATofWinterHaven.com, and Facebook: facebook.com/flatofwinterhaven.

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Contact the FAC for Dealer Recommendations and Club Membership: www.floridaalfaclub.org

Join us for the Mirror Lake Classic Car show in Lakeland later this year October 16th-17th and bring out your classic Alfa to add to Winter Haven Alfa/Fiat's tent and display

Alfa Romeo 4C



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Fiat 500 1957 Edition




WINTER HAVEN



Behind Lowes
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 Winter Haven, FL 33880
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 FIATofWinterHaven.com

Fiat 500L Trekking



Shops of Interests to Vintage Car Owners in the Area

This month's Focus: ProFab Customs – Powder Coating Services



ProFab
 CUSTOMS

Powder Coating and Hydrographics

727-623-4851

12995 Automobile Blvd., Suite A2
 Clearwater, FL 33762

When I recently got my Alfa GTV back from a full bare metal restoration and paint, I realized there was a few more things that needed to be done before I could start the reassembly in earnest. Although I had ordered many new custom and racing suspension parts from Alfaholics in the UK www.alfaholics.com , many of the original suspension parts would need to be reused and they were in sad shape with 40 years-worth of grease and grim. I started degreasing them and hours of scrapping and brushing later, I said there had to be a better way, so I contact my friend Tom Argue of Tom Argue designs www.tomarguedesigns.com and asked him to recommend a local shop for Powder Coating services. This is how I was introduced to ProFab guys Joe McDede and Gerry Miller - www.profabcustoms.com . They took my dirty grimy suspension parts and degreased them, baked

them, primed and powder coated them to perfection all at a very reasonable price. They are highly recommended.

Gearworks
1410 N. Hercules Ave.
Clearwater, FL. 33765
PH: 727-784-0452
www.agearworks.com

I had already rebuilt the engine and transmission on my GTV when the body finally got back from paint when I realized the rear end would also need rebuilding. This is when I was recommended to Andy at Gear Works by fellow Alfa guy Mark Dubovic. They specialize in rebuilding and servicing rear ends and differentials. They were friendly and knowledgeable. As it turned out my Alfa GTV rear end only needed a good cleaning and new seals. They are highly recommended.

N2MB Racing
PH: 732-272-4080
Jay@n2mb.com

For the racing or speed enthusiasts, a new performance shop just opened up next door to Cars & Concepts near the Tampa airport. They have experience programming Haltec, Motec, and Alpha-N stand-alone engine computers as well as having an in ground Dyno on site for getting the most out of your car's performance.

Note from the Editor: This is an area of the newsletter we would like to expand to include detailed vehicle descriptions and High Quality photos of member's cars for sale within our region or beyond. From time to time we will also include Alfas for sale that were spotted that we feel would be of interest to our members either to purchase or simply comment on. Coming soon will also be a Focus area dedicated to our Members personal cars either fully restored or till in restoration. Send us your photos.

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