



#### ALFABUFF - Western New York Chapter Alfa Romeo Owners Club, USA

February 29th , 2020 Fairport Public Library **Meeting Minutes** 

### Attendees

| Will Dickinson | Greg Myer           |
|----------------|---------------------|
| Terrie Sautter | Dick Powers         |
| Mark Phillips  | Bill Rickerson      |
| Joe Nuchereno  | Lisa & Bob Whitwell |
| Leo Apollonio  | Steve Rauh          |
| Frank Porecca  | Charlie Turco       |
| Dick Giambra   | Dario Gonzalez      |
| Phil Pyrce     |                     |
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#### Membership Report – Phil

- 57 members is the highest in the last 6 years yeah Newest members are mostly new Giulia or Stelvio owners
- Dealer gets postcards with their AlfaOwner magazines (they get 2 copies every issue)
  - 0 Try to get a stack of cards with next phone call to Dick and Anthony (AROC Board people). Phil/Steve
- Greeting email Will Dickinson/Terrie Sauter
- Roster Will to create a non-personal roster list for publication on site and FB. Just first name and region of state location

Treasury Report – Joe

- 2019 end of year balance \$801.06
- Currently balance \$1011.00
- Our Employer ID number is: 61-1580430
- How much do we kick in? Terry Hills brunch only costs \$15.

#### Officer Positions for 2020

Nominations were confirmed

• All Incumbents re-elected – see below

| POSITION         | 2020 Person    |
|------------------|----------------|
| President        | Phil Pyrce     |
| Vice President   | Frank Porecca  |
| Treasurer        | Joe Nuchereno  |
| Communications 1 | Greg Meyer     |
| Communications 2 | Will Dickenson |

## **Communication Update**

Communication

- Facebook Group and Instagram. Have been operational for a year now – **use them**. Everyone on chapter roster is a facebook page member. Greg and Will doing a great job in populating the site
- FB page in FB search on "AlfaBuffs"
- Phil maintains the WWW site use it
  - https://www.aroc-usa.org/ny-39-alfabuff/
- Need to shutdown the old FB page Will
- For any FB or Instagram questions Contact Greg or Will for more information

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# Sept 10-13. Watkins Glen Grand Prix Festival and AATG - SVRA weekend update

AATG = Alfas at the Glen Group. AROC = AROC National WGI = Watkins Glen International (the track) . GPF = Grand Prix Festival Committee. FCA. = Fiat -Chrysler

- ° Watkins Glen 110th anniversary. Thurs 9/10- Sunday 9/13
  - Working with AROC to publicize it nationally (Mike Bange/Anthony Intintoli). Phil/Steve. Nice article already published in Feb. Alfa Owner – thanks Steve
    - Radisson Corning has room block see Alfabuff or AATG site for details or see Alfabuff Facebook page to book a room

- Terri volunteered to provide name and phone numbers of ALfabuff members signed up for Tour de Marque
- Calendar of events coming from Steve and Terrie
  - Terrie creating a narticle summarizing events for distribution
  - Is it possible to have a AROC tent in Lafayette park Friday?
    Terrie to investigate with GPF . Alfabuff could staff that.
  - Booth on Franklin St to be paid for by AROC national and will be staffed by volunteers from Alfabuff, AROC and NYC chapter If you want to volunteer – contact Phil he will create sign-up plan
- The Thursday GPF "ride to the top" tour has a dinner that may conflict with the proposed Raddisson alfa dinner. Steve/Dick and Terrie need to discuss
- Haggerty is providing goodie bags for AATG people
- Pursuing Centerline for Friday or Saturday (?) night dinner for racers and AATG members at WGI (Dick Giambra)
- FCA not interested in supporting. Will they wholesale us?
- Miles Collier museum has vintage Alfa. Dick is trying to coordinate bringing it to Watkins Glen to Display.
  - https://revsinstitute.org/the-collection/
  - Other classic Alfa owners being courted by Steve and AROC national. Simone museum on list? Steve
- Merchanidise
  - Permission to use 100 year logo has been granted to AATG Alfabuff should be able to get it also.
  - Ornament possible idea Terri would front cost if interested.
  - Phil to send Terrie official AROC logo art file
  - Frank has T-shirt guy can make (non-alfabuff) shirts for sale – to raise money for the chapter. Officers to decide how many and what
  - Special Alfabuff shirts just for members also under study
  - Greg (CPA) described tax situation we have ways to sell legally to the public on Franklin St. if we want to .
- Corral parking near Franlikn on Friday Terrie investigating with GPF
- SVRA sponsorship? none

- Phil has removed Matt (Dorschel) from all Alfabuff emails to avoid any confusion on communications. Only Steve Rauh and Dick Powers will be talking to Dorschel from now on.
- Steve Rauh will touch base with Dorschel to firm up what they will do and what \$ they are willing to spend

## **Overall Year Event planning**

Yes – there are others things to do in 2020 other than Watkins Glen in September. Don't wait for that.

Phil will summarize the calendar for posting online and on FB Desire to have a more interactive calendar where all members can input events - Greg to explore on FB

- April
  - 4-5. Opening Day at Watkins Glen
  - Cars and Coffee at "Little Speed Shop" once a month
- May
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> (rain day). Tom Wahls lunch
  - ° 23. Miglia Rally Frank is planner
- June
  - 14 Euro Car Day. Rose Garden Restaurant Buffalo
  - 21 Father's Day Euro Car show Cazenovia
  - ? Euro Car Day Ithaca Trumansburg Fairgrounds
  - 27 Clayton Boat Museum Car Show
- July
  - 22-26 National Convention Colorado
- August
  - TBD Gimmick Rally Will Dickenson
  - Sunday brunch at Terrie Hills? Batavia Phil to investigate
- Sept
  - 6th Party at Terri's
  - ° 10-13. Watkins Glen
- Oct
  - 4th Fall Brunch at Tillman's