



Ohio Valley Alfa Romeo Owners Club

FEBRUARY 2026 ALFETISH

**Annual Winter Dinner** at Vinoklet. Come, buy and grill your own steak (or shrimps or salmon) and enjoy a great warm Alfisti dinner with local wine. **Friday 2/20/2026 at 6:30pm** (11069 Colerain Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45252). Please respond to me (via email or phone call) by Friday 2/13/26 with your RSVP. We need to know the final count and attendance in order to secure the correct logistics at the restaurant.

Thanks to all new members and to all who have renewed your memberships in the past 30 days. We appreciate you all very much. We are now at 103 members in the Chapter, which is a growth of +3% compared with February 2025. The challenge for this year is still on. Each one of us, the current members, will recruit one new member before December 2026. That would put us at a 200-member Chapter by the end of this year. That would be simply amazing. I think we can do that.

Our Chapter's goals are to **Participate** in as many Club events as possible, **Share** our Alfa Romeo passion with everyone and **Enjoy** each other, our friendships and our engineering masterpieces. And we do all these at our private and public events, all around the greater Cincinnati area and also, in some nice driving tours and driving experiences around the tri-state.

January 2026, for some of us, was a nice month of resting and recharging batteries toward a best year yet. We are starting this month of February with our monthly activities and the 2026 calendar of activities is already looking very nice. Below in the second page is the 2026 calendar of activities for the next 5 months of the year. Please provide feedback on what activities you guys would like to include in the calendar. Keith Calicoat is already gathering information on the very much expected 2026 Racetrack Driving Experience. We just need to put a group of 8-10 members to make it true. At this moment, we have only 3 members interested so we are looking for at least 7 more. Please let me know.

Mike Wagner is leading the effort to create and administrate the OVAROC Facebook page. It will be up and running during this month of February. Keep an eye on it in Facebook and start making comments and uploading pictures to create some attention, traction and perhaps new members will join us.

Alfa Romeo sales in the US continue declining. Between 2021 and 2024, whole Stellantis sales in the US fell by 27 %, dropping the group from fourth to sixth place in the market. Specifically for Alfa Romeo in the US, it dropped 52%. This trend must change right now (hopefully!). We are hearing about the new looks of Giulia and Stelvio for 2027 and 2028, including the comeback of the Quadrifoglio. And the best of all is that ICEs are

staying alive putting an official pause to the 100% electric non-sense. Below please find a quick summary of Alfa Romeo sales in the US since its come back in 2025.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Jan</u>	<u>Feb</u>	<u>Mar</u>	<u>Apr</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>Jun</u>	<u>Jul</u>	<u>Aug</u>	<u>Sep</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Dec</u>	<u>Total Yr</u>
2015	97	47	73	38	40	25	48	75	54	65	44	57	663
2016	67	49	53	60	44	36	43	37	41	23	23	52	528
2017	108	443	555	677	919	1,017	1,225	1,140	1,268	1,205	1,440	2,034	12,031
2018	1,648	1,568	2,576	1,847	2,377	2,249	2,016	2,240	1,639	1,737	1,957	1,946	23,800
2019	1,150	1,362	1,774	1,584	1,572	1,595	1,418	1,588	1,304	1,629	1,689	1,629	18,294
2020	1,202	1,557	943	672	1,494	1,569	1,773	1,576	1,707	1,707	2,055	1,688	17,943
2021	1,487	1,487	1,673	1,695	1,629	1,695	1,529	1,472	1,529	1,529	1,352	1,352	18,429
2022	1,052	1,052	1,184	1,054	1,015	1,015	1,132	1,175	1,132	1,011	970	1,051	12,843
2023	786	755	849	780	750	780	926	1,000	967	1,088	1,088	1,131	10,900
2024	752	752	782	809	842	842	674	752	621	2,039			8,865
2025	651	625	677	410	425	377	554	485	576	874			5,654

The OVAROC was present in the Daytona Rolex-24 Hours. Go Alfa Romeo Go! Thanks Nick and Davena for sharing these pictures with us. I am sure that you guys enjoyed the whole weekend racing event. Instead, some of us were here in the Beautiful Ohio shoveling the 12" of snow all that Sunday long !!!



This below is a general information of the events we are going to have in 2026.

- Annual Winter Dinner at the Vinoklet
- Monthly Get Togethers at the USB Cars & Coffee from April 2026 to October 2026.
- Spring and Fall Driving Tours.
- 2026 Cincinnati Concours d'Elegance.
- Summer 2026 Racetrack Driving Experience
- 2026 KARS-OVAROC Fall Picnic
- 2026 Annual Christmas Dinner.

**CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE NEXT FIVE MONTHS** **Please Book Your Calendars!**

February 2026	March 2026	April 2026	May 2026	June 2026
<p><b>Annual Winter Dinner at the Vinoklet.</b> Come, buy and grill your own steak (or shrimp) and enjoy a great Alfisti dinner with local wine!  <b>Friday 2/20/2026 at 6:30pm</b></p>	<p>Visit the <b>National Museum of the US Air Force</b> in Dayton. <b>Saturday 3/21/26 from 10:00am to 12:00pm.</b> We will have lunch at the Spaghetti Factory at 12:30pm (8 miles from museum).  <b>Cincinnati Auto Expo from March 26th to 29th.</b>  <b>More details to come soon.</b></p>	<p><b>First Monthly Get Together</b> of 2026 at the USB Cars &amp; Coffee on <b>Saturday 4/11/26 from 9am to 11am.</b> Do Not Miss It Out!  <b>Spring 2026 Driving Tour on Saturday 4/25/26 from 9:30am to 12:30pm.</b> Route TBD. We will finish the tour with a lunch TBD.</p>	<p><b>Monthly Get Together</b> at the USB Cars &amp; Coffee on <b>Saturday 5/09/26 from 9am to 11am.</b>  <b>Special Cars Show Event</b> at MOTA Social &amp; Storage on <b>Thursday 5/21/26 from 5pm to 7pm</b></p>	<p><b>Monthly Get Together</b> at the USB Cars &amp; Coffee on <b>Saturday 6/13/26 from 9am to 11am.</b>  <b>Cincinnati Concours D'Elegance</b> on <b>Sunday 6/14/2026</b> starting at 9:30am. Discount tickets and logistics to come soon.</p>

The OVAROC Web Page is alive and active. It is part of the AROC-USA Web Site, and it can be reached via <https://www.aroc-usa.org/oh-17-ovaroc/>. You can also please scan this QR Code below to link you directly to our OVAROC Web Page.



Please remember to look at your AROC membership expiration dates and if possible, renew your membership. Please call me or email me if you have any feedback and/or questions.