



Ohio Valley Alfa Romeo Owners Club

APRIL 2026 ALFETISH

Monthly Get Together at the USB Cars & Coffee on Wednesday 4/08/2026 (6-8pm). There is a change in our monthly Get Togethers this year. The guys at the USB Cars & Coffee are changing the C&Cs from the usual Saturdays to Cruise-In meet on **Wednesday nights 6-8pm** there at the same place as the last year's Saturdays C&Cs (**8805 Governors Hill Dr, Cincinnati, OH 45249**).

Please take a look at the information on page 3 below for the **Spring 2026 Driving Tour**. An action by you is required during April to register and be ready for the driving tour on **Sunday May the 3rd afternoon**.

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 104 members in the Chapter, which is a growth of -2% compared with April 2025. This is the first time since March 2023 (3 years) that I see a negative monthly growth in membership. Let's please make an effort to invite people and recruit them. There are 50 Chapters in the AROC USA and we are #19 in terms of membership number. The biggest Chapter is North-West Alfa Romeo Club in WA with 324 members, and the smallest is Alfa Romeo Owners Club of Tucson in AZ with 14 members. The AROC USA currently has 4,969 members versus 4,837 members in 2025. This represents a growth of 2.7% from January 2025 to January 2026.

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.

We had a decently busy month of March with 3 different events and we are already full throttle ahead in our 2026 season. The weather has started to cooperate and the monthly gatherings start in April.

Last Sunday March the 15th at The Cocoa Muse in Loveland (600 W. Loveland Ave., Loveland, OH) we gathered at their first European Cars & Coffee of the 2026 season. We enjoyed the cars, the camaraderie and the best coffee and hot chocolate in town. Please stop by for the next gatherings there to be announced via email shortly. This event is not part of our official calendar event but it is a very nice opportunity to meet and support the local business of a good friend of this Chapter. Below please find some few pictures and once again, I missed to shoot two Alfa Romeo Quadrifoglio who also attended.



The tour to the National Museum of the US Air Force and the lunch the Spaghetti Warehouse in Dayton were a success. This is becoming a good plan for the wintertime as all the activities are indoors, the museum is spectacular, always changing and the best part of all, it's free! And the Spaghetti Warehouse is a good place to end the event with an Italian lunch. Thanks, Steve Hawkins for helping with the reservations.



We were at the Cincinnati Auto Expo at the end of March. We had our OVAROC Canopy up and a simple two-Alfas display which attracted a lot of attention. Many stopped by to ask questions about the brand, take pictures and I think that we could have 3-5 new members joining us soon, thanks to this effort. Stellantis was present and they brought an Alfa Romeo Tonale to show in their display. Thanks to Ken McGuire, Mike Wagner, Matt Mullins, Gary Kestin, Shey Ogundimu, Zach Albers and Dan Russell who volunteered to work at the booth and display an Alfa Romeo. We will do this next year, again.



If you are on Facebook, please remember to join the OVAROC page and post your comments and pictures. That will help to create some traction and perhaps new member will like to join us. Please upload information, and your cars experiences and histories which I am sure will motivate many to join.

If you guys want to share your Alfa Romeo stories in the **AROC USA Alfa Owners magazine**, please let me know and I will recommend it to the AROC USA board of directors and will put you guys in contact with them for the details and process.

The **Spring 2026 Driving Tour** will happen on Sunday May 03, 2026, 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM. For this rally, we will join the efforts of Dynasty Rally who are experts on planing rallies and the whole logistics. The location will be shared with participants when they subscribe. It will be a clue rally (follow the route, answer questions, a co-pilot is HIGHLY suggested, and get the most points in order to win) The \$35 Ticket for the registration to the rally includes lunch for one driver and co-pilot. All donations collected through the "General Admission + Donation" benefit The Shield, Ohio, providing assistance to families of local police officers injured or killed in the line of duty. Below please find the link to register to the rally. Please participate:

<https://www.dynastyautoevents.com/event-details/dynasty-dash-2026>

Glenn Abbott is the Vehicle Selection Committee Chair for the EyesOn Design at Ford House. This cars show is held each year on Father's Day (June 21st) on the lawn of the historic estate of Edsel and Eleanor Ford in Grosse Pointe Shores, MI. He is contacting us because he is trying to find an Alfa 164 for a class of European luxury cars from the 70s-90s whose owner would be willing to bring to the show. Please contact Glenn Abbott at (248) 330-9030

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

April 2026	May 2026	June 2026	July 2026	August 2026
<p>First Monthly Get Together of 2026 at the USB Cars & Coffee on Wednesday 4/08/2026 (6-8pm)</p>	<p>Spring 2026 Driving Tour on Sunday 5/03/26 from 12pm to 4pm. Please subscribe in the above Dynasty Rally link</p> <p>Monthly Get Together at the USB Cars & Coffee on Wednesday 5/13/2026 (6-8pm)</p> <p>Special Cars Show Event at MOTA Social & Storage on Thursday 5/21/26 from 5pm to 7pm. Drinks and small bites provided.</p>	<p>Monthly Get Together at the USB Cars & Coffee on Wednesday 6/10/2026 (6-8pm)</p> <p>Cincinnati Concurs D'Elegance on Sunday 6/14/2026 starting at 9:30am. Discount tickets and logistics to come soon.</p>	<p>Monthly Get Together at the USB Cars & Coffee on Wednesday 7/15/2026 (6-8pm)</p> <p>Remember the Keeneland Concurs D'Elegance on Saturday July 18</p>	<p>Monthly Get Together at the USB Cars & Coffee on Wednesday 8/12/2026 (6-8pm)</p>

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