

# Iniezione

The newsletter of the Northwest Alfa Romeo Club

## Pasta Sauce Takes Center Stage in Olympia

Words by Fred Russell  
Photos by Gordy Hyde

How do you make the NW Alfa Romeo club do a quick directional change? You switch the Annual Chili Cook-Off to being a Pasta Sauce Contest. Yes, the Chili Cook-Off dates to when Lorna & Seely Moore introduced us to the idea many, many years back. We've had great locations and numerous wonderful chili recipes to sample throughout the years.



Fred Wright and guests enjoy conversation during the Pasta Sauce Competition.



This year, our hosts, Fred Wright and Kathy Lombardo welcomed us all with a couple types of pasta and prizes for the winners. The crowd arrived, bringing around 11 cars... which included the Nuxoll's in their Spider 2000 with the rare hard top installed.

Inside the conversations were good, but the sauces were better. I made my way around sampling every offering, and even had seconds on a few using an alternate pasta to see how it effected the flavor. Better lineage and perhaps it would have worked, but switching pasta types didn't make a difference for my taste buds.



Kathy Lombardo talks with Bill & Judy Gehring.

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## Sauce Cont'd...



Gordy Hyde wears the winner's apron, holds the ladle and winner bubbly!

Each of us could cast a single 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place vote. Then Fred & Kathy's accounting team tallied up the numbers. In the end, all were very good but the winner was Gordy Hyde and his Amatriciana alla Bucatini.

Nicely done Gordy and a well deserved win!

Here is the winning recipe!

- 6 oz. guanciale or pancetta, or if you cannot find those bacon (preferably un-smoked)
- 29 oz. can stewed tomatoes
- 3 garlic cloves, finely minced
- ½ red onion, finely chopped
- ½ t. crushed red pepper flakes (or less, according to taste)
- ¼ c. red wine (careful...lowers tomato flavor)

Dice the pork finely (1/4" cubes) and sauté. Add onion, continue to sauté until soft. Add garlic and briefly sauté. (If using bacon, and it is not very lean, you may want to drain some of the drippings.) Meanwhile, drain the stewed tomatoes and put the remaining tomatoes in a blender and whirl for a few seconds. Add to the sautéed mixture and allow to cook down. If using wine, you will obviously add more time. Typically served with bucatini pasta which should be cooked a minute or two less than directions on the package. Add the nearly cooked pasta to the sauce for a couple of minutes to allow it to finish and soak up some of the juiciness of the sauce.



Fred Wright leading a nature walk and talk.



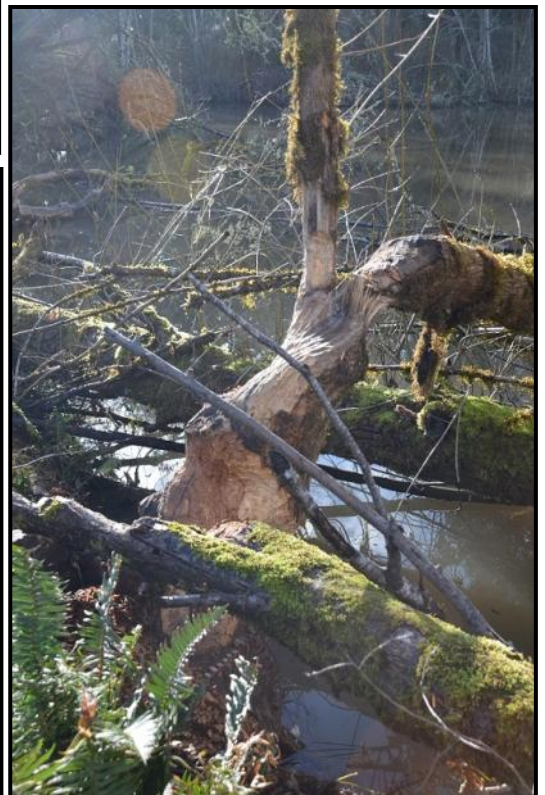
## Sauce Cont'd...



When visiting this wonderful location, and eating lots of good pasta and sauces, it requires a walk on the beach as well. Fred W. led a nature walk with many of us Alfisti in tow. It turned out to be a great day for friends, pasta, and nature. Thanks to all who took part in this great NWARC day.



*Enjoying the sights of nature*







This has been a short month and a short winter. The flowers are starting to appear, and the weather teasing enough to make us want to take some top-down drives. FEN has a rally this month, the Citroen Club has invited us to a Spring Drive, and there is the Tulip Rally coming in April, but I think many of us will be out before then. It looks to be a good year for driving.

Alfas have been in the media recently, and one of my favorites was an article, "Alfa Super Saves Porsche," on Keith Martin's blog. He is a real Alfista, with a nice collection, but he also has some lesser cars. He was planning to take his Porsche 911 out and found the battery dead. He brought the Super over to jump it. Then things started getting interesting. It happens that the hood is opened by an electric switch. But how, with a dead battery? He had to make a call to a Porsche tech, find the fuse box and the proper fuse, then apply power to that. Finally, he could open the hood and jump the battery. The alternative was to find the steel release cable in the fender well, but that required removing the plastic wheel well liner which probably necessitated removing the wheel. Aren't we glad we drive "simple" cars?

Hemmings Sports and Exotic Car always includes a Buyer's Guide, and in the April issue it is for the 164. It's titled "Alfa's V-6 Bargain" and they are very complimentary about the car, starting with "it was very much in the performance spirit of previous Alfa offerings and is renowned as a driver-centric car."

They included some interesting background, and one thing I learned was that it was not called "164" in

Chinese language markets, but "168". Evidently, in Chinese, 164 means something like "all the way to death," so would not have been good for marketing.

They included observations such as it had "one of the best-sounding engines of all time". On the other hand, they included comments such as "quality control was also in the spirit of previous Alfas," and included timing belt and tensioner issues, fragile door handles, and oil leaks (imagine that!) as examples. Then they added that they were "surprisingly durable cars if properly maintained," and "many cars are still using the original clutches."

Overall, with their caveats, they recommend buying one. They say the 164 is "approaching the transition from off beat used car to collectible," and with the advent of new Alfas, older ones will generate more interest. They conclude that, "This could be the ideal time to get into a 164 and enjoy a fun, well-engineered, great-sounding car from a marquee with an amazing history."

I remember when we bought our 164 (a new 1991, in January 1992), I would note and count other ones we saw on the road. Hemming's information points out how rare they really were. 1991 was the big year, with 3,500 imported. After that, it fell off to 1,720 in 1992, 713 in 1993, and 771 in 1994-1995, for a total of 6,704. I wonder how many are on the road now. We miss ours and there are times we lament having had to sell it, so we are looking forward to the advent of the Giulia.

As usual, Fred and Kathy did a great time hosting us for the cook-off, now pasta sauce instead of chili. The weather turned out fine, and lots of good people attended. The pasta sauces were tasty and interesting, too, and this is an event that is going to continue to grow. You should plan to be at the next one.

Other events coming up soon are the meeting at Wild About Cars in Kirkland on March 8 and the annual St Paddy's Day party at the Faherty's home on Fox Island, March 19. I hope to see you at one or more of them.

**Bill Gehring**  
**NWARC President**



## Club Meeting

## Wild About Cars Garage

Tuesday, Mar 8

We return to **Wild About Cars Garage** on **March 8, from 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM**, we will gather for dinner, our club meeting, and a **presentation by member Fred Russell about Cars Around The World**. Fred has had the luxury of traveling to many of the greatest car collections, museums, and factories in Europe, Japan, and the USA. Enjoy a taste of many of these places in a slide presentation and talk.



**For March's club meeting, you need to individually preorder our dinners, so your food will arrive between 6:45 and 7 PM. To preorder your food, simply follow the instructions below and, remember, you can order anytime before 6:00 PM on the day of the meeting. (Or bring your own.)**

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If you forget to order before the meeting, you can still order when you arrive at Wild About Cars; but expect your food to come later in the meeting. FYI - I found it easy to order food from either restaurant by my iPhone.

## 35th Annual Tulip Rallye

April 23

Make your plans now to attend the MG Car Club's 35th annual Tulip Rallye on April 23! Reschedule anything in the way and plan to start from the Skagit Valley Mall in Burlington and wander the scenic roads of Skagit County. Along the way, answer the gimmick questions, stay on course, and enjoy the great variety of cars, including Alfa Romeos. The competition is fun, but tough amongst friends and family.

Go to: <http://www.mgccnwc.com/> or fill out the registration form and mail to the address below. Then plan to have fun!

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*YES! I want to participate in the 35th Annual Tulip Rallye (And win for Alfa Romeos)*

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**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Type of Car** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

Which Car Club do you belong to? \_\_\_ **NWARC** \_\_\_

**Entry Fee** per car (\$12 USD or \$15 CDN in advance) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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The **Iniezione** is the monthly newsletter of the Northwest Alfa Romeo Club, a non-profit organization of Alfa Romeo enthusiasts. NWARC is a regional chapter of the national Alfa Romeo Owners Club (AROC). Chapter meetings are typically held the second Tuesday of most months except December. Membership dues are \$68 per year, which includes subscriptions to either the digital and/or print versions of the Iniezione and the monthly national publication, *Alfa Owner*. For information about joining the club, contact the membership director listed in the right hand column. Opinions expressed in the Iniezione are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect those of the club. (The author may simply be nuts!) Publication of articles describing technical procedures does not constitute an endorsement by the club, its officers, or AROC. It is the responsibility of the person performing any procedure to accept all consequences of his or her actions. Wouldn't it be nice if everyone would take personal responsibility?

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## Alfa Romeo News



Some of you may have heard that after “working”, and I use the term very cautiously, at Turn 10 Studios for over 4 years I (Fred Russell) have left for a new job. I had an amazing job travelling much of the Europe, Japan, and the USA seeing cars, museums, people, and events that were well beyond my Bucket List. Everyday was spent playing cars and surrounded by car people, engaged in car discussions and arguments, working through car details, all while getting to meet some of the greatest people behind the cars. **Dreams could rarely measure up to my last few years.** (See some of this at the March 8 Club meeting.) The studio produces the Forza Motorsport and Forza Horizon video games for XBOX ONE, and they accommodated my car interests from the beginning. Thanks Turn 10 Studios!

Speaking of new jobs, my friend and former coworker, **Kim Wolfkill**, has just taken over the role as Editor-in-Chief at Road & Track magazine. After working with me at Turn 10

Studios for the last few years, he is returning to Road & Track where he had worked 11 years back. *“It is an incredible honor to return to Road & Track and take the wheel,”* Wolfkill said. *“I am thrilled to lead the talented team here in Ann Arbor at a time when the auto industry is in such a pivotal and exciting place.”* Was it the stress of working with me that drove him back to Ann Arbor, or the fact that I left Turn 10 and he just could work there without me... or just a great chance for a talented guy? (Probably that last option.) Congrats Kim!



**Alfa Romeo Stelvio** (named for the famous 9045' high pass connecting Italy to Switzerland) was announced by Sergio Marchionne on Feb 18 as the CUV (cross over) they will build next. Targeting a 2017 release in Europe, then the USA afterwards. Delays have plagued new releases so we'll see it when we see it. It uses the new platform from the Maserati Ghibli and Alfa Romeo Giulia but modified for the CUV use. This means that many of the upgrade options that will be on the Giulia, will be possible on the Stelvio. Oh well, it will be part of the promised line up of cars to be sold through Alfa Romeo in the coming years if Sergio keeps his word, an people buy a few cars with Alfa badges. Remember... before you say something bad about SUV or CUV cars not being a real Alfa, Porsche now sells more SUV / CUV vehicles than all other Porsches combined. (No real photos yet)



On February 9, Hagerty Insurance released a list of what they think are today's cars that will become collector cars. We've seen these types of lists before and often they are simply fun conversation starters... but amongst the Ford Mustang GT350R, and Ford Focus RS, and Lotus Evora400, is the **Alfa Romeo 4C Spyder**. Collectability usually requires rarity, history, and missed opportunity recognized a bit too late. Making lists on the other hand doesn't require much of anything... especially any actual future vision. Either way, it serves the second purpose of conversation starter.

The NW Citroen Club has once again extended a welcoming hand to NWARC to join their **Spring Drive**, held this coming **March 20**. That is the Sunday following our club's St Paddy's Day gathering and the 5th year of this popular drive. The organizer, Paul Melrose, invites a wide variety of clubs so you share the road with a great mix of old, new, loud, and weird cars and drivers. Always good fun. We gather around 9:30 AM at Starbuck's - 6799 Coal Creek Pkwy SE Newcastle WA 98059. The drive only lasts for a couple hours and ends where we can enjoy lunch or head home. It is no cost, but Paul would like an estimated headcount so he asks for an **RSVP to baul79racer.goracer@bluetie.com or 425-306-8525**.

**Coming up on Saturday, June 4, we'll hold our annual Garden Tour.** We plan to meet at Pt. Defiance Botanical Gardens at 9:30 AM where we will view the 7 gardens in the bowl including a tour of the Native Plant Garden. Tour through the 5 Mile Drive ending at the Pt. Defiance Tap & Grill for lunch. After lunch visit Jungle Fever Exotics nursery then tour down Ruston Way through the Port of Tacoma up Marine View Drive to the Powells Wood Gardens in Federal Way. Finally visiting Furney's Nursery on Pacific Hwy in Des Moines for those who are inspired to add to their gardens.





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## St Paddy's Day Party

**March 19**

Continuing a tradition started many Irish moons ago, Joe & Lynn Faherty have invited NWARC back to their wonderful home on Fox Island for a wee bit o' the Irish. The 2016 St Paddy's Party will be held on March 19. The best deal is to aim to arrive early... say 4 PM. It makes for a wonderful drive, as well as arrive early enough to take a nice walk on the beach. The festivities start around 5:30 PM. Plan to bring a side dish to share, while you are sampling the rest of the great food & drink. Each year the food and friends is outstanding! Rain or shine, make sure you attend!

The address: 768 6th Ave Fox Island, WA 98333 (For estimating your time, this location is about 30 minutes drive after crossing the Tacoma Narrows Bridge.) Map your route via Google or Bing first then once you get to the location on Fox Island, follow the gravel drive until it starts downhill and you'll find the house on your left. Call 253 549 2082 if you are having a challenge finding the party.

## Old Spider Tour / AROO

**April 16,17**

The 2016 Old Spider Tour has a long history thanks to our neighbors in Oregon. Many of our members have joined this event in the past and I know Ken & Louisa Case are planning to go this year.

The 2016 version will be an overnight tour with a fun group dinner event on Saturday night. AROO welcomes our club and all Alfes (any vintage or type), but especially encourages all Old Spiders (pre 1965) to join along. If you are tight on time, just join for one day. The route, as always, will head east out of The Dallas Oregon for some great roads with little traffic - the Old Spider Tour standard.

**Get your car ready and make your hotel reservations ASAP.** AROO has a block of rooms reserved at the Celilo Inn (The Dalles) at a special discount rate. **Lodging:** Celilo Inn, 3550 E 2nd St, The Dalles, OR 97058, 541-769-0001 Room Rates: Mention Alfa Club/Old Spider Tour for special rate, Queen Room \$99 or King Room \$115 (taxes included).

If you have any questions, please contact **Erik Roe, erikroe@me.com or call 503-706-8304.**



## Miniature Alfa Updates!



There are a number of great miniatures available these days. Even cars that have been mostly ignored to date. For example, the Alfa Romeo 164 sedan.

Now, the folks at Laudroracing Models Sarl in France have created a nice 1:18 scale 164S for us. It has great proportions and trim, but no opening doors or hood. They modeled it to match the European look so it has the optional wheels and is missing the rear wing. The model sells for just over \$100 counting slow shipping.

I've mentioned Matchbox before, and the red version of the Alfa Romeo 4C has been out for a while. They are hard to find, but now they have another version to watch for... a dark grey color as well. I check for these in every store that sells toys, like Fred Meyer, Target, etc...

Speaking of Alfa 4C... AutoArt always does a wonderful job on their 1:18 scale cars. The owner of the company has a passion for Alfa Romeo and Lotus in his personal car collection and it shows in the many miniatures he chooses to make. They just released a new Alfa Romeo 4C and again, it has European trim. The doors and engine cover open to show off great detail. The car looks wonderful and well worth the \$200 it sells for.



Lastly, I saw that a few companies are taking pre-orders for both 1:18 scale and 1:43 scale versions of the wonderful new Giulia Quadrifoglio sedan. I look forward to seeing how these look in the near future.





## Club Meeting Wraps Up Safely

Looking to my left for on-coming traffic and seeing none, I made a right-hand turn into the first lane. Instantly, I heard a blaring horn and saw a Jeep bearing down hard upon my Baja in the rearview mirror. The driver quickly swerved into the left lane and barely missed my vehicle.

The driver in the Jeep kept honking and threw an assault of unkind words my way as he drove up next to me. I realized he was yelling at me to pull over so he could beat me up. I thought pulling over wasn't the safest idea so I mouthed, "I'm sorry," and simply slowed down. I was grateful he sped away leaving me only with the one-finger salute.

Still shaking, I turned to my 13-year-old son and said, "Where did that driver come from? I looked carefully and saw no one. How did I miss him?" Ten years later, at last month's NWARC meeting, I discovered what might have happened.

Our guest speakers at our February NWARC meeting were Mi Ae Lipe and Mark Butcher. The two friends gave a presentation on street driving safety and shared tips and insights more sophisticated than the information any of us in the United States received from our driver's training programs...ever.

Opening with facts about the design of the human eye, Mi Ae talked about how the center of the retina generates high-resolution images but the rest of the retina, our peripheral vision, does not and, instead, is designed to pick up motion. This design enabled our primitive ancestors to notice quickly approaching animals out the corner of their eyes and be prepared before the animal attacked. But there are problems to this design for humans who drive fast moving vehicles. Mi Ae says, "vehicles traveling at a constant speed will stay in the same position relative to each other as they approach a point of collision." Without any difference in speed between the two vehicles, a driver's peripheral vision may not detect the other moving car and, thus collide with it.

Mi Ae also pointed out that when people glance across a scene, the human eye jumps and pauses to take a 'snapshot' of the scene and doesn't capture everything. Therefore, if something like a bike or motorcycle is present between these eye snapshots, drivers who look around may not see them. She also claims the faster you move your head, the farther your eye jumps across a scene and you are more likely to miss something right in front of you. This may explain why I didn't see the Jeep. Perhaps, I moved my head too quickly when looking back. This, of course, would never hold up as a defense in court, but it would explain my situation.

With his native British accent, Mark Butcher shared some pointers about the safest way to drive around a blind corner. He explained that when approaching a blind turn, drivers should stay wide in their lane so they and any approaching traffic can see each other sooner. Next, drivers should slow down enough so they could stop at the furthest visual point in the road. Then they should match their speed to the speed of the furthest visual point as it moves away from them. Mark admitted it wasn't the fastest way through a curve, but it was the safest.

At the end of the meeting, I chatted with veteran Alfisti who said they took with them at least one or two new ideas to implement while street driving. As for me, I learned to look more slowly to the left and right before turning and now focus the center of my retina on more of my surroundings while driving.

Words by Cindy Akana



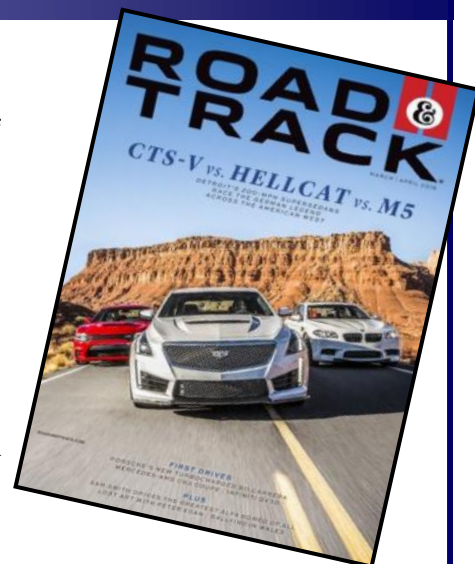
## Road & Track features local Alfa Romeo

With a long standing reputation for excellent automotive journalism, Road & Track magazine has long been an enjoyable read I look forward to each month. Sometimes an article jumps out even more than normal due to vehicle type, location, or you know a person featured. Starting on page 70 of the latest issue should be that way for all of us.

The associate editor, Sam Smith, who lives in the NW, has written a very good article about Alfa Romeo Tipo B "P3" #5005 which belongs to our member, Jon Shirley. The article is written as a comparison of the 1935 German Grand Prix winning "P3" and the new 4C to try to determine if any of the DNA carries through. Jon, and his son Erickson, met Sam at Pacific Raceways for a day where he got some "P3" driving tips prior to running around the track for a few laps.

Personally, the photos presented in the magazine are questionable at best, but the article is well written and kudos to Sam for his Alfa Romeo passions. (He also wrote a nice article about our local heros, Wes Ingram and Herb Sanborn for the online Road & Track)

At the end of his day with Jon and this rare 1935 racer, Sam commented that driving the "P3" was one of the biggest thrills of his life.





The monthly Alfa Owner publication has provided great details and event information regarding the upcoming AROC National Convention in hosted this year the Tennessee chapter in the music city; Nashville. This is a wonderful excuse to see what makes Nashville great. In June it may be a bit hot and humid for us cool northwesterners but its well worth it. Of course the Alfa Romeo events, friends, and sights are a huge draw but in addition, the music heritage is amazing. The Opryland Hotel, Grand Ole Opry (Weird Al Yankovic performing), countless bars in town all have fun musicians, Country Music Hall of Fame, and the Ryman Auditorium (Ringo Star will be performing).

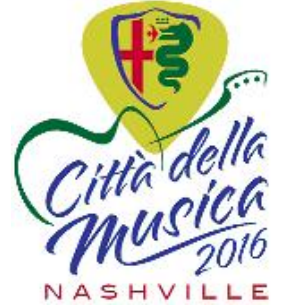
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For me, I'm too much of a car guy to be in Nashville and not visit the Lane Motor Museum (Site of the Welcome Party on the 15th). I know the owner, Jeff Lane, and you'll enjoy his eclectic car passion! Also, the Bellissima display of 19 stunning Italian cars, including all three B.A.T. cars. Join the optional AROC event on the 15th or find your own time to visit. The Concours for the convention is being held on the grounds of a 151 year old mansion along the banks of the Cumberland River and Stone River.

This convention brags that they are within 1 day drive of 60% of the USA population... we in NWARC are in the 40%. It is a long way... 2400 miles each way and even if you drive like me, that will take you 28 hours non-stop, non-breakdown, 2 bathroom stops, eating while you drive. The good news is Alaska Airlines flies direct to Nashville from Sea-Tac every day.

One great idea, is what Merrill and I have discussed... one drives a car out, and flies home while the other flies out and drives the car home. Talk to your fellow members and work out a plan, but whatever you do, figure out how to get to Nashville for the fun and Alfa passion that is the National Convention. <http://www.alfa2016.com/>

\*\* Besides, they must have the coolest event logo I have ever seen.



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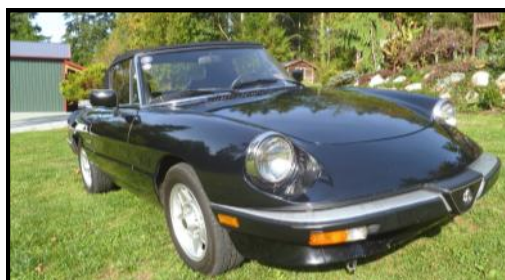


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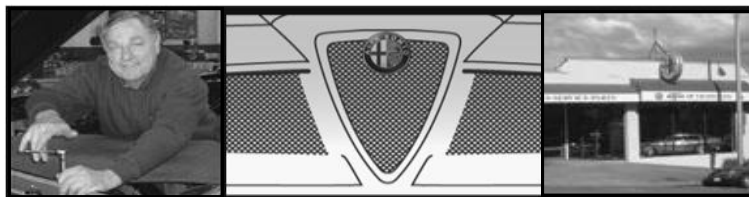
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Do you wish to be affiliated with the local Alfa Club? Yes.... **NWARC**

Please indicate your interests:

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## 2016 Calendar of Club & Local Car Events

- **Mar 5** **NWARC Driver Skills School Auburn (Pacific Raceways) See email.**
- **Mar 8** **NWARC Club Meeting Wild About Cars Garage Kirkland See Page 5.**
- Mar 12 FEN Shamrock Rallye Everett (fiatnorthwest.org)
- **Mar 19** **NWARC St. Paddys Day Party (Joe & Lynn O'Faherty's) Fox Island See Page 7.**
- Mar 20 NW Citroen Club Spring Drive See page 6.
- **April 16-17** **AROO Old Spider Tour The Dallas, Oregon See Page 7.**
- April 17 FEN Italian Car Show Triple X Drive In Issaquah, WA (fiatnorthwest.org)
- April 23 Tulip Rallye Skagit Valley Mall See Page 5.
- May 21 FEN Spring Primavera Tour (fiatnorthwest.org)
- **June 4** **NWARC Garden Tour Tacoma See Page 6.**
- June 4-6 FEN 3 Day Drive (For details and Reservations go to fiatnorthwest.org)
- **June 13-20** **AROC Nat'l Convention Nashville TN**
- June 19 French & Italian Car Show Vancouver BC
- **July 1** **NWARC PreHistorics BBQ Patitz home**
- **July 1-3** **SOVREN Pacific NW Historics Vintage Races Pacific Raceways**
- July 10 PNW Ferrari Club of America Concours. Renton, WA
- July 17 Forest Grove Concours d'Elegance Oregon
- July 17 Ducati / All Things Italian Show Summerian Brewery, Woodinville
- Aug 20 Concorso Italiano Blackhorse Golf Ranch Monterey CA
- Aug 27 LeMay Family Car Show Tacoma, WA
- Sept 11 PNW Concours d'Elegance LeMay Museum Tacoma
- **Sept 17-19** **NWARC Half-Fast Lap of Washington Northeast wanderings.**
- Sept 17,18 Maryhill Hillclimb Goldendale, WA
- Sept 23-25 Oregon Festival of Cars Bend, OR
- Sept 24,25 Festa Italiana Seattle Center
- **Dec 11** **NWARC Holiday Party**



*The afternoon view of high tide in the bay as the Annual Pasta Sauce Competition draws to an end at Fred Wright & Kathy Lombardo's home in Olympia. Photo by Fred Russell.*