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DRIVER SKILLS & CAR CONTROL CLINIC



When: November 12th Where: Pacific Raceway, Kent Cost: \$95 per driver Times: 9:00am - Noon or 1pm - 4:00pm Register: motorsportsreg.com Contact: mirko@copperfin.com

Drivers must hold a valid driver license, teens with valid Learner's Permit welcome.

Drive safer and be more confident.

Join us for a half-day driver skills course where you'll learn valuable techniques to better control your vehicle in daily driving conditions.

All drivers welcome, and all vehicle types encouraged.

This course offers:

- Collision Avoidance
- Handling Skills
- Braking Techniques
- Classroom Instruction
- In-car Coaching

AM and PM sessions

Presented by: NW Alfa Romeo Club

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Maserati of Kirkland

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November Club Meeting

Tuesday, November 8

Club Officer Election night! Four Positions To Be Voted On.

Special Guest Speakers: Dick & Jessica Camp Plan to join us for an enjoyable talk by Dick & Jessica who, after taking their freshly restored Alfa Spider to the Nashville Convention, headed west via the Mother Road; Route 66. It's a classic road with adventures aplenty.

Remember, bring dinner or order your food ahead of time. We'll gather first, then have elections, and then enjoy the talk!

Nov. 8 6:30-9PM Wild About Cars Garage 11200 Kirkland Way #200

Nominations Are Open for Club Elections

Each year at the October meeting, nominations are opened for the four elected positions on the NWARC Board. This year was no exception.

The twenty or so members in attendance voiced no complaints with Bill Gehring's performance over the past three years, and he had not tabbed anybody to succeed him. Consequently, Bill was nominated for an unprecedented fourth term as President.

Cindy Akana was nominated to continue in her role as Vice President.

Gordy Hyde volunteered to continue as Secretary and though he offered to step down, no other nominations were made.

Ron Calkins was not present at the meeting and because he has in the past, stated concerns with continuing in the position due to work demands, no nomination was made. Bill Gehring said he would contact Ron to discover if he was able and interested in continuing as Treasurer.

Besides the elected officers, the positions of Activities Chair, Chief Driving Instructor, Membership Chair, and Webmaster are held by volunteers. Shannon Low offered to help with Activities; Mirko Freguia and Chris Benny will continue in their positions as Driving Instructors, and Paul and Kristy Affolter will remain as Membership Chairs. (Newsletter Editor, Production roles are open as well.)

NWARC has approximately 200 members and many of them have never held any of the elected or volunteer positions. It would be nice if some of these many people would step up to perform some of the duties necessary to keep OUR chapter functioning smoothly. As always, nominations will remain open until the meeting in November, when the official election will be held. Coincidentally, the meeting will be on Nov 8, the same day as National elections.

General Club Information

Our group is known as the Northwest Alfa Romeo Club, (NWARC) 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 subscription to the monthly national publication, *Alfa Owner*. For information about joining the club, contact the membership chair listed in the right hand column.

Club Communications:

Join NWARC E-mail list: Send an e-mail to **info-subscribe@nwalfaclub.com** ...then when the automated tool sends you an e-mail message, simply reply to the msg and you're on the list.

Facebook: NWARC (Public Group)

Club Website: http://nwalfaclub.com

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Festa di Amici Holiday Gala

Sunday, December 11

This year's Festa di Amici holiday party will be held at Marianna Ristorante 310 Wells Ave S Renton on Sunday, December 11.

A lavish buffet of house-made antipasti will be provided at 5:30, when the silent auction tables will be open for bids.*

A sit down dinner will follow, with choices of salads or minestrone, main courses** and desserts.

Coffee and soft drinks are included in the \$50 ticket price.

To reserve a ticket, please sign up on Motorsports Reg or send your name(s), menu info, and a check, payable to NWARC to:

Bill Gehring 129 19th Ave Kirkland WA 98033

*The reason we have great items to bid on is because members and sponsors donate great items to the club for the auction tables.

To donate, contact Judy Gehring at 425 442 1602

**Please specify your entree choice: chicken Marsala with pasta, cheese ravioli with fresh mushrooms and Aurora sauce, or lasagna.



New Year's Day Anti Football Drive

Each year lots of us have fun enjoying an off-season drive on New Year's Day. This year we will do it again. On Sunday, January 1st, around 8:30 AM, we'll gather at the Starbucks location in the Bear Creek Shopping Center in Redmond. (17196 Redmond Way Redmond 98052)

Starbucks can always provide people fuel and a gathering point. Just prior to starting, we'll gather for a quick driver / navigator meeting before heading out at 9 AM. I will lead us on a meandering path of twisty NW roads to Issaquah before heading to Hobart, Black Diamond, Buckley, Puyallup, and end in South Tacoma around lunch time.

In South Tacoma, we'll enjoy visit Bristow's Exclusive Auto Repair (4731 S Washington St, Tacoma 98409) where our host, Pete Bristow, will show us around his old and new shop areas. He may even share a few shop secrets with us. Once we are all gathered as a group, Pete will pro-



vide a lunch for us as well. After enjoying our lunch and a visit, we are free to head home and catch the Seahawks last game of their regular season... they will be enjoying the 14 and 1 season and be



facing the odd 49rs. No worries, as the Huskies will be playing on Monday in the Rose Bowl.

If the weather turns crazy (snow or ice) we'll cancel with a notice on Facebook, club e-mail, and the Alfa BB about 24 hours prior to the drive.

2016 / 2017 Calendar of Club & Local Car Events		
•	Nov 8	NWARC Club Meeting Wild About Cars Garage / Kirkland
	 Dick and Jessica Camp sharing stories of Route 66 travels 	
	Club Off	icer Elections
•	Nov 12	NWARC Driver Skills Clinic Pacific Raceways / Kent
•	Dec 11	NWARC Holiday Party Marianna Ristorante / Renton
	Food, Auction Table, Awards, Fun	
•	Jan 1	NWARC 2017 Anti Football Drive
	 Heading from Redmond to twisty backroads ending in So. Tacoma We will be hosted by Pete Bristow at Bristow's Exclusive Auto Rebuild. 	
•	Jan 10	NWARC Club Meeting TBD
•	Jan 15	Arizona Concours d'Elegance Phoenix, AZ
•	July 13-16	AROC / ARCC 2017 International Convention Montreal, Canada
•	July 29	NWARC 2017 Viva Italia Saint Edward St. Park / Kenmore

• Sept 9-11 NWARC 2017 Half-Fast Lap NE Oregon / Wallowa Mountains



Dropping down towards Lake Roosevelt on Hwy 21 thrilled the members of this year's Half Lap participants.