

ALFA OCCIDENTALE

Issue 8, August – September 2017



Alfa Sprints at Concorso Italiano, including a rare early Veloce 1300 with plexiglass side windows. The 32nd annual Concorso was held at Blackhorse/Bayonet golf course California, on August 19, 2017.

Dear Western Australian Alfisti,

This is the eighth edition of **ALFA OCCIDENTALE** – the electronic newsletter of the Alfa Romeo Owners Club (WA Division). Any contributions that you would like to see included in upcoming editions of this newsletter are most welcome. Please send these articles, photos, used car ads., etc., to the club, c/secretaryarocawa1@gmail.com

OUTGOING 2017 AROCA WA COMMITTEE

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Victor Lee	National Coordinator	national.coordinator@alfaclub.org.au

In advance of the 2017-18 AGM and the nomination of a new committee, we want to thank all committee members for their dedicated service to the club during the last financial year.





CLUB NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Unfortunately, at this point, now well into the new financial year, not everyone has renewed their membership subscriptions as yet for 2017-18. We hope that all AROCA WA members will renew their memberships very soon. At the end of this newsletter, again, you will find a form that you can complete to update your membership details when you pay your subscription.

Please note that AROCA WA will run the club's "Show 'n' Shine" competition during the Italian Car Track Day which will be held at the Barbagallo Raceway on Sunday 17th September. The Show 'n' Shine winners will be announced and trophies will be awarded at the club's annual Christmas event to be held this coming December.

A series of upcoming events are planned that all AROCA WA members should note:

- The Wheat Belt Run was held on the weekend of 19 –20 August, with a strong attendance. A photographic report on this run appears below in this edition of the newsletter.
- The Italian Car Track Day is on Sunday 17th September – concurrent with the club's show 'n' Shine event.
- The Como Rotary Car show will be held on Sunday 1st October at the Wesley College grounds in South Perth.
- The Rotary Italian Car Day will be held at Gloucester Park again this year on Sunday 5th November.
- The Annual Pasta Run is set down for Sunday 19th November. (It is the AROCA WA club's turn to coordinate and Rod Quinn has set up the program for this day.)

The club hopes to see you at as many of these events as possible.

The club committee also want to remind you of the new capability for all members to register any intended trips in concessionally-licensed vehicles, prior to driving to a declared location. The "Drive My Car" Alfa club database provides a monthly summary report back to the club committee. It is also available for WA regulatory compliance purposes, should that be required.

A copy of the form you should use to request approval for a "Drive My Car" trip is included as a separate attachment to Alfa Occidentale. Formal trip logging, but only when used by a **current financial member** of the club, driving a concessionally-registered car, permits that club member to use the vehicle more frequently under the state's revised concessional registration rules.

When using this "Drive My Car" trip facility, please note that the recognized responsible person undertaking these occasional runs is the individual car owner, not the club. While the club's approval and data logging will provide you with compliant approval to drive, any issues thereafter are at the member's (i.e., not at the club's) risk.

Furthermore, you should recognize that having on hand your proof of current financial membership is an essential requirement for any concessional license holder, while driving the concessionally-registered vehicle.





REPORT ON 19 - 20 AUGUST WHEATBELT WEEKEND

Weekend away
Wheat Belt
19th August - 20th August 2017

Start: Elevated Grounds Coffeehouse
22 Haynes street,
Kalamunda WA 6076.
Reserved parking at rear of the Coffeehouse off 5th Street next to Mow 10

Start with a coffee then heading off for a great run to Beverly for its Annual District show and having some lunch while looking around (<https://www.beverleyjoggingclub.org/>)

Then we will be staying overnight at the **Dukes INN** a very well renovated old pub in the heart of Northam. A couple of us stayed there this year for the Northern Flying 55 and we were extremely impressed with the accommodation, Food & surroundings (<http://Walesno.com.au>)

End: On the Sunday morning head off towards Perth via Toodyay and stopping off the Air Market, which by all reports is worth a look, while at the market we will have lunch there and then head home.

Please RSVP to: Rod Quinn
PH: 0418 931 719 Email: rod@wtd.com.au

***Important!**
Please contact Trina @ Dukes Inn to book your room under Alfa Romeo Car Club.
Please note the rooms are "first in best dressed" so book NOW!
PH: 0822 2334



Unfortunately, if you weren't there, you will have missed the Wheat Belt tour which was held on the weekend of 19 – 20 August this year.

Rod Quinn organized the trip, starting in Kalamunda and travelling on to the Beverly Annual district show for a showgrounds lunch and walk around. Club members then quite rapidly drove to York for an afternoon coffee gathering before travelling on to their overnight venue at the Dukes Inn in Northam.

On the Sunday, members drove on to the open-air farmers' market in Toodyay before heading back to Perth.

About 28 members attended, with 22 of them, plus partners, staying overnight at the Duke's Inn for a very liquid club

dinner. Another great event for which the club thanks the event organizer, Rod Quinn.

Among the Alfas a new, red Guilia Quadrafoglio gained a lot of attention, both from other Alfa drivers as well as onlookers along the route.



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On the Wheat belt tour weekend in mid-August 2017.





AROCA WA EVENTS CALENDAR 2017-18

July 2017 Update

Event	Event Date	Event Coordinator
Albany "Round-the-Houses" Dinner on the Saturday night for Alfa members in attendance (Dinner bookings now closed).	Sat 3 rd June Sunday 4 th June, 2017	Andrew Murray
Club Birthday Dinner Dinner & presentation night. At "Aqua Viva on the Swan", JoJo's pier, river end of Broadway, Nedlands.	Saturday, 24 th June, 2017	Nick Rahimtulla See dinner booking form and dinner payment details later in this newsletter.
AROCA JULY CLUB NIGHT Pizzeria Amore Mio, 279 Guildford Road, Maylands From 7.00pm on. BYO . Best pizzas in Perth.	Tuesday, 4 th July, 2017	RSVP required to andrew@planetcreative.com.au by Tuesday 27 June As venue capacity is limited, only the first 30 people can be accepted.
WHEATFIELDS RUN A run through the wheatfields country with an overnight stay in Northam for AROCA WA members.	Saturday, 19 th Sunday 20 th August, 2017	Rod Quinn
AROCA WA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGM, pizza and beer night at the Light car Club of WA, Moojebing Street, Bayswater.	Tuesday, 5 th September, 2017	Andrew Murray
INFORMAL ALFA RUN 3 rd Sunday informal run	Sunday, 17 th September 2017	Trip replaced by the Italian car track day at Barbagallo and the club's show 'n'Shine for 2017.
ITALIAN FESTIVAL TRACK DAY Barbagallo Raceway, Wanneroo	Sunday, 17 th September 2017	Details – see announcement below.
COMO ROTARY CAR SHOW Wesley College Grounds, South Perth	Sunday 1 st October 2017	Richard Peirce
ROTARY ITALIAN CAR DAY Gloucester Park	Sunday 5 th November 2017	Andrew Murray Details TBD
ANNUAL PASTA RUN AROCA WA is organizing this year's event	Sunday 19 th November, 2017	Rod Quinn Look for details to be announced shortly
CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY		

Be sure to put these dates in your diary!





AROCA WA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting for the AROCA WA club is to be held on Tuesday September 5th 2017 at the club's facilities at the Light Car Club on 22 Moojebing Street, Bayswater.

The meeting will start at 06:30 pm with the AGM scheduled to commence at 7:30 pm. Drinks and pizza will be available prior to the AGM.

The club is seeking nominations from its members to fill all of the club's committee roles. While some of the existing committee members have indicated their willingness to serve for another year, all positions, with the exception of the past-president, are open for nomination. Please consider whether you would be interested in nominating for any of the positions listed below:

- President
- Treasurer
- Competition Secretary
- CAMS representative
- General committee members
- Past President (not open to nomination)
- Secretary
- CMC representative
- Webmaster

The club is very keen to continue its provision of great events and to add some new ones to its coming year's calendar. However, it is in need of your help to do so. Therefore, please consider standing for a role on the club's committee.

Please note that a nomination form is attached to this email. Return your nomination, either directly to any of the club's current committee members, or by ordinary mail to the club's postal address, or to me, directly. Or, just bring it with you to the meeting where members will happily nominate and second your nomination!

Call for Nominations for Election of Committee for 2017-2018 Election of committee members at the Club AGM

Tuesday 5th September 2016 at 7.30pm

AGM Meeting Venue: WA Light Car Club, 22 Moojabing St, Bayswater

NOTE: Club activities don't "just happen". They depend on members who are prepared to contribute to the running of the club, either as an officer holder, or general committee member. To help manage the club, you are invited to nominate yourself, or another club member, for election to the Committee by using the Nomination Form below.

As a Committee member, you will have the opportunity to help improve club activities. At the same time, you will enjoy the camaraderie of working with other Alfa enthusiasts who are also dedicated to the success of the club. You are encouraged to seek election, or work with the committee in another volunteer role.





NOMINATION FORM 2017-18 COMMITTEE

NOMINEE NAME:

Membership number:

(person being nominated)

being a financial member of AROCA WA is hereby nominated for the following position

(please circle)

President

Secretary

Treasurer

Membership Secretary

Social Secretary

CMC Representative

CAMS Representative

Web master

Competition Secretary

General Committee Member (x 2) Club Shop

Nominated by:

Membership number:

(person being nominated may nominate self) being a financial member of AROCA WA

Seconded by:

Membership number:

being a financial member of AROCA WA

(A "financial member" above for nominee, nominator and seconder, for the purpose of this nomination, is limited to - Full, Associate, and Life Members)

I accept nomination for this position:

Name: _____

Date _____

Signature: _____

(signature of person being nominated)

Nominations are to be emailed to the Secretary (grsmith@bigpond.net.au) or mailed to the postal address shown below to be received by 2 September 2016:

Mail to:

The Secretary, AROCA WA, P.O. Box 8231, Perth Business Centre, WA, 6849.

OTHERWISE, PLEASE BRING YOUR NOMINATION TO THE MEETING ON 5TH SEPTEMBER





I T A L I A N F E S T I V A L T R A C K D A Y

At Sunday 17th September 2017, Barbagallo Raceway, Wanneroo

Autodelta
European Automotive Services

italian Festival Track Day
Sunday 20th September
Barbagallo Race Track • 9am till 5pm

Ferrari
Alfa Romeo
Fiat
Lamborghini
Maserati
Lancia
Ducati

See and Hear them
on the Track or
Parked on Display!

Italian Food,
Drinks & Coffee

Entry \$5
Children Free

Track Cars 7am Scrutineering
Display Vehicles 8.30am

CONTACT:
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E: aacciari@bigpond.net.au

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This Italian Festival Track Day Event will be held at Barbagallo Raceway. It is primarily a track day for Italian vehicles, including Ferrari, Alfa Romeo, Fiat, Lamborghini, Maserati, Lancia and Ducati. However, note that cars will be both on display and racing.

Italian food, music & entertainment are available all day.

Entry is by donation to support the charitable activities of Northbridge Rotary Club.

Track Car scrutineering commences at 7.00am.

Display Vehicles should arrive at 8.30am.

For more information regarding your participation, contact:

Frank Ferrari: 0419 421 087;

Sam Casella: 0401 606 541; or,

Andrew Murray: 0412 108 011

Forms for registration at this event are included on the following pages:





Speed/Non-Speed Entry Form

Official Use Only

Class: Car number:

Held under the ISC of the FIA and the National Competition Rules of CAMS

Name of event: Italian Festival and Track Day 2017 Permit #: 617/1709/02

Organiser/Club: Ferrari Club Australia WA Date: 17/09/2017

Venue: Barbagallo Raceway, Wanneroo

Competitor (car owner)

Surname: Given name/s:

Australian postal address:

Town/Suburb: Post Code:

Telephone home: Mobile: Email:

CAMS Licence #: Civil drivers licence number:

Driver's club:

Driver 1

Surname: Given name/s:

Australian postal address:

Town/Suburb: Post Code:

Telephone home: Mobile: Email:

CAMS Licence number: Civil drivers licence number:

Competitor's Signature: SIGN HERE Date: / /

Driver's Signature: SIGN HERE Date: / /

Driver 2

Surname: Given name/s:

Australian postal address:

Town/Suburb: Post Code:

Telephone home: Mobile: Email:

CAMS Licence number: Civil drivers licence number:

Driver's club:

Competitor's Signature: SIGN HERE Date: / /

Driver's Signature: SIGN HERE Date: / /

Entries Close Friday 1st September 2017 - No Late Entries





Display/Parade Vehicle Entry Form

Official Use Only

Class: Car number:

Held under the ISC of the FIA and the National Competition Rules of CAMS

Name of event: Italian Festival and Track Day 2017 Permit #: 617/1709/02
Organiser/Club: Ferrari Club Australia WA Date: 17/9/2017
Venue: Barbagallo Raceway, Wanneroo

Driver

Surname: Given name/s:
Australian postal address:
Town/Suburb: Post Code:
Telephone home: Mobile: Email:
Civil drivers licence number:

Description of Vehicle

Make: Model: Year:
Registered number: Colour: Body type:
Passenger name/s:
Drivers Signature: **SIGN HERE** Date: / /

There is no entry fee for participants who wish to display their vehicles. A disclaimer will need to be signed by all individuals who wish to partake in the display laps of the circuit. No child under 12 years of age may be a passenger in any vehicle allowed on the track.

Consent Statement for Applicants Under 18 Years

Are you under 18 years of age? Yes Parent/Legal guardian to sign below No, You do not need to sign below

Consent Statement for applicants under 18 years:

I, (print full name) of (print address)
am the parent/ guardian of the above-named ("the minor") who is under 18 years old. I have read this document and understand its contents, including the exclusion of liability and assumption of risk, and have explained the contents to the minor. I consent to the minor attending/ participating in the event at his/her own risk.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: **SIGN HERE** Date: / /

Entries Close Friday 1st September 2017



Italian Festival and Track Day
Sponsored by The Ferrari Club Australia (WA)
Sunday 17 September 2017
CAMS PERMIT NUMBER: 617/1709/02

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1 EVENT TITLE, DATE AND VENUE

The event shall be known as the Italian Festival and Track Day to be held on Sunday 17 September 2017 at Barbagallo Raceway Wanneroo.

2 ORGANISATION, STATUS AND INSURANCE

- (a) The event shall be held under the International Sporting Code of the Federation Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA), the National Competition Rules (NCR) of Confederation of Australian Motor Sport Ltd (CAMS), Motorcycling Australia Rules and Regulations, the Speed Event Standing Regulations, WA Speed Event Series Regulations, these Supplementary Regulations and any Further Regulations and Instructions to Competitors that may be issued.
- (b) This event will be conducted in accordance with the CAMS Risk Management & Occupational Health and Safety Policies. These policies are available from the CAMS website www.cams.com.au
- (c) The event shall be a Multi Club, Multi Car, Super Sprint Speed Event Practice Event-car parade laps and hot laps.
- (d) Certain public, property, professional indemnity and personal accident insurance is provided by CAMS in relation to the event. Further details can be found in the CAMS Insurance Handbook, available at www.cams.com.au.

3 ADMINISTRATION AND EVENT STAFF

Organiser and Promoter: The Ferrari Club Australia (WA)
Postal Address: C/o L Acciari, 127 Main Street, Osborne Park WA 6017
Phone: 0418 956 085 Fax: 08 9201 2619 Landline: 9444 1809
Email: aacciari@bigpond.net.au
Organising Committee: Lorenzo Acciari, Trevor Edwards, Alberto Magistro
Steward of the Meeting: John Smith
Secretary of the Meeting: Marilyn Cassidy
Clerks of the Course: Tom Graham
Assistant Clerks of Course: TBA
Chief Scrutineer: Colin Roper
Chief Timekeeper: Raymond Shaw

4 CIRCUIT DETAILS

Length: Long circuit 2.42 km. **Direction:** Clockwise. **Notice Board:** Race Office



This year's 6th Annual Como Rotary Club Car Show at Wesley College is shaping to be one of the highlights of the WA motoring calendar. Each year it has been growing more diverse and interesting, and we are hoping you will again participate on Sunday, October 1st, to make the 2017 show even bigger and better. This will provide a great opportunity for you and your family to meet and socialise with fellow-enthusiasts in a picnic setting with excellent facilities and entertainment that includes a jazz band. There will also be a sausage sizzle, cake stall, coffee and ice cream, as well as trade displays of new vehicles, equipment and services.

Admission Free to Exhibitors

The location, on Ward Oval at Wesley College, is only a short walk from the South Perth foreshore giving you the opportunity to break the day with a leisurely lunch, water activities or stroll along the river. Entry to the display area is free of charge to participating cars, which will be admitted from 8-10am at the entry gate through the Wesley car park off Angelo Street. Parking attendants will be in place to assist with directions to allocated positions. This year, we hope to have more than 200 classic, vintage, exotic, luxury and special-interest vehicles on display. Given good weather, we anticipate a record attendance because we intend to widely publicise the event.

Visitor Admission

Public admission is \$10 adults, \$8 concession and gold coin donation for children under 18. All proceeds benefit Rotary and Wesley community charities.

Support for Charities

The Rotary Club of Como provides funding and support to many local community organizations including Ngala Family Centre, Manning Mens' Shed, Esther Foundation, Zonta House Women's Refuge, Carson Street Special School, Manna Homeless Centre, as well as to youth programmes covering driver awareness, science forum and leadership skills.

Registration

It helps us to know who is coming. Click on the link to register:

<http://comorotarycarshow.com/445-2/>



CLUB COMPETITION CHAMPIONSHIP

Dear WA Alfisti,

The Alfa Club Competition Championship for 2017 is underway and a calendar of club events in which, if you compete, you can earn points appears below.

Twelve competition events are to be held during 2017, including a couple of new ones. The Meelup Hill-climb returns as part of the CAMS Speed Series. Additionally, the Windfarm Hill-climb at Albany is included this year and will be held on the same weekend as the Albany Classic.

Remember that qualifying for only 6 events will count for your AROCA WA club competition points score, so you don't need to do all the listed events in 2017 to be in with a shot at winning the trophy. For example, you should note that Rod Quinn only missed out on winning by one point last year, even though he competed in only 3 events!

I hope to see a few more of the club's cars out there in 2017. Please do come along and test your skills in club competition.

Ciao,

John Reed
Club Competition Secretary

Note the links below to the VSCC and CAMS Speed Series websites where event entry forms can be downloaded:

<http://www.vscwa.com.au>

<http://speedeventseries.net>



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Date		Event	Series/Organiser	Type	Venue
April	2nd	Northam Round-the-Houses	VSCC	Regularity	Northam
April	29th	Jacks Hill	CAMS Speed Series	Hill climb	Barbagallo
June	3rd	Windfarm Hill-climb	CAMS Speed Series	Hill climb	Albany
June	4th	Albany Round-the-Houses	VSCC	Regularity	Albany
July	2nd	John Hurney Sprint	CAMS Speed Series	Sprint	Barbagallo
August	13th	Targa West Sprint	Targa West	Sprint	Perth CBD
September	24th	Meelup Hill-Climb	CAMS Speed Series	Hillclimb	Meelup
October	15th	Collie Sprint	CAMS Speed Series	Sprint	Collie
November	5th	Jacks Hill	CAMS Speed Series	Hillclimb	Barbagallo
November	26th	Vintage Stampede	VSCC	Regularity	Barbagallo



AROCA WA MONTHLY INFORMAL RUN

DATES: Every third Sunday of the month
TIME: 09:30am for coffee with a 10:00am tour departure
STARTING POINT: Boatshed café, South Perth. See: <https://goo.gl/maps/KVSxLuP4Atx>

Since the 3rd Sunday April informal run, the club now uses only one starting point for all participants. Every Alfa club 3rd Sunday informal run will start from the South Perth foreshore at 10:00AM, from now on. Park in the Coode Street car park, near to the Boatshed café and the water ramp in the park. Arrive early and enjoy coffee at the café before departure.

PLAN:

The committee commenced an informal program of club runs last February. The idea was that all members, but especially those with concessionally-licensed vehicles would now have an additional monthly informal run opportunity when they could legally exercise their "limited license" vehicles on the 3rd Sunday of each month.



Meanwhile, all club members should note that the Alfa club's normal annual program of longer runs and lunches continues unchanged, alongside this new and very informal program.

These informal trips should depart soon after 10:00am on each date. The

intention is that the run can commence once participating members decide to depart from the starting point. Note that individuals or informal groups can do this as soon as they like after 10:00. The event may involve only an individual vehicle or club member drivers in small groups, who should feel free to decide upon an appropriate trip itinerary on the day.

INFORMAL CLUB RUN DATES:

~~Sunday, 17th September 2017.~~

(NOTE: no run due to Italian Car Track Day and AROCA show 'n' Shine.)

Sunday, 16th October 2017.

Sunday, 20th November 2017.

Sunday, 17th December 2017.

Put these dates in your diary



A SAMPLING OF UPCOMING INTERSTATE AROCA ACTIVITIES

AROCA SA

29 October, 2017	Auto Italia, Adelaide 2017, (Cambelltown City Soccer Club, Newton)	Viano Jaksa / Adam Savis
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AROCA QLD

13-14 September, 2017	Stanthorpe, weekend away, Stanthorpe.	John Anderson, 0416.171.773
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AROCA VIC

24 September, 2017	Sunday drive to South Gippsland	<i>tbd</i>
14-15, October, 2017	Motoclassica, Royal Exhibition Building, Carlton	<i>See announcement in next newsletter</i>
3 December, 2017	Spettacolo. Concorso, Wesley College, St Kilda Road, Melbourne	<i>Check with AROCA Vic for details.</i>

AROCA NSW

15-18 September, 2017	Alpine Alfisti Spring Tour	<i>Trip organized by the Alpine Alfisti of Australia Inc.</i>
4-5 November, 2017	Classic Rally Club's Alpine Classic	<i>Details to come</i>
Easter 2018	Alfesta AROCA national event, Rydges Hotel, North Sydney	<i>Details to be announced. Also check "Alfesta2018" on Facebook.</i>

Check interstate AROCA Division links & websites for more events & event details.

Check these AROCA links for additional information and other upcoming events:

AROCA: <http://www.alfaclub.org.au>
NSW AROCA: <http://www.alfaclubnsw.org.au>
AROCA QLD: <http://www.arocaqld.com>
AROCA SA: <http://alfaclubsa.org.au>
AROCA VIC: <http://www.alfaclubvic.org.au>
AROCA WA: <http://www.alfaclubwa.com.au>



COUNCIL FOR MOTORING CLUBS REGARDING ZERO ASBESTOS IN IMPORTED VEHICLES

Zero tolerance of asbestos is now a requirement

Australia is one of the few countries with an absolute ban on asbestos – ‘Zero Tolerance’ – and the Australian Border Force (ABF) is tightening controls on offending vehicle imports.

Many countries still allow small quantities of asbestos (i.e. 1%) to be used, but Australia is one of the very few with a zero requirement and a total ban on import and export except under very limited circumstances. Zero tolerance to asbestos, an Australia-wide ban on the manufacture and use of all types of asbestos and asbestos containing material (ACM), took effect on 31 December 2003. In order to support the domestic ban, asbestos or ACM imports to, and exports from Australia are prohibited, unless permitted by the relevant Minister. Australia signed a Zero Tolerance Asbestos agreement in 2003 and is now enforcing it.

From 6 March 2017, the ABF implemented a new community protection question when lodging import declarations for all motor vehicle tariff codes - i.e. "Do the goods contain asbestos?" This may relate to brake linings, clutch linings, brake disc pads, gaskets, seals or any other parts of the vehicle.

Most vehicle manufacturers prohibited use of asbestos components in vehicles from 1999. However, there is a double standard with new vehicles containing asbestos having been imported into Australia and there are examples which are in breach of the import ban.

Recalls were issued but, in several cases, no action was taken, apart from taking back unused stocks of the offending parts.

Anybody considering taking their vehicle out of the country must also be aware of this restriction as they will be required to provide the vehicle is asbestos free to bring their vehicle back into Australia. This can be a very costly exercise. There has been an instance where "destructive means" has been used to investigate for asbestos in a very original rare Shelby, having a bill of \$14,000 from ABF –not including the repair costs and destruction of original vehicle components. Interestingly, this vehicle was *en route* when Australia commenced enforcing the zero tolerance ban and the owner had no the opportunity to remove asbestos prior to transit.

A remaining question is whether the vehicle or only the asbestos containing components in the vehicle may be seized. There may be a provision in the act that permits the vehicle to be taken to a workshop for further work. The CMC is investigating a solution which will involve refining the inspection and remediation process so it is not too onerous. The CMC has spoken with the Department of Environment in Canberra regarding the possibility of 1% asbestos acceptance for Australia. However, even with a 1% tolerance permitted, testing would still be required to assess suitability for importation

Kind regards

Neville Horner

Secretary, Council of Motoring Clubs WA





GOT ONE OF THESE?





1950 Alfa Romeo 6C 2500 SS Coupe by Touring

Chassis no. 915.758 **Engine no.** 928.198 **Body no.** 3350

Sold for US\$880,000 at the Sotheby's sale, Amelia Island, on 10-11 March 2017

The car has a 110 bhp, 2,443cc DOHC inline six-cylinder engine with three Weber carburetors, a four-speed manual transmission, coil-spring independent front suspension, independent trailing arm torsion-bar rear suspension, and four-wheel hydraulic drum brakes. Its wheelbase: is 106.3 inches.





- A genuine 6C 2500 SS with exceptional Touring alloy coachwork
- Immaculate, Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance award-winning restoration
- Spectacular detailing and finishes throughout
- Well-known ownership history since the 1950s
- Eligible for any international concours or post-war road events, including the Mille Miglia

The model made its debut in 1939 as the third series of Vittorio Jano's legendary inline six-cylinder Alfa Romeos. The 6C 2500 marked both an end and a beginning. It would be both the company's last pre-war model, and, following World War II, its first post-war offering, with its engineering and styling evolving to meet the times. Accordingly, it formed a bridge between two eras and would come to be the last true coach-built, hand-made Alfa Romeo.

More importantly, from a driver's standpoint, the 6C 2500 was a thrilling ride. It was the first road-going Alfa capable of 160 km/h and benefitted from four-wheel independent suspension with parallel trailing arms and coil springs in the front, and swing axles with torsion bars at the rear. No variant was more exciting than the top-of-the-line 6C 2500 SS, with its triple-carburetted engine producing 110 brake horsepower.

The list of original 6C 2500s featured in the back of Angelo Tito Anselmi's landmark book on the model identifies this chassis, number 6C 2500 SS, as having been an original SS with this handsome bespoke Touring coupe coachwork. Anselmi notes its delivery to wealthy grain merchant Silvio Carlo Tricerri of Corana in Lombardy.

According to historian Peter Marshall, the car subsequently passed in 1957 to Charles Roberts, the first American owner, then in 1977 to John Hardie of Studio City, California, by which time it had acquired the present, correct SS engine, number 928.198. It then passed to Knute Kolmann and then to Lawrence Klein of Santa Rosa, California. For Mr. Klein, the car received an excellent restoration, including paint and bodywork finished to concours standard by Perfect Reflections in Hayward, California, and a sumptuous pebble-grained leather interior fitted by renowned trimmer Ken Nemanic. Nemanic also fitted a set of custom luggage in exotic leather, stowed romantically behind the front seat.

The car retains its beautifully engraved Abachi wood steering wheel and correct Aster multi-band short-wave radio, as well as a pull shade for the rear window and silver-plated chain door pulls. The body shimmers in a gorgeous and period-correct lightly metallic dark olivine green, which presents flawlessly. Adding to the well-finished nature of the restoration, the trunk contains a correct jack and two tool rolls.

Mr. Klein exhibited the Alfa Romeo at the 2012 Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance, where it was a class award-winner; a testament to its quality. It was also judged First in Class at both the Palo Alto and Hillsborough Concours that same year. It was acquired by Mr. Smith for his distinguished collection a year later and has remained well-maintained in the fleet ever since.

Lovely, well-finished, and award-winning, this gorgeous Alfa Romeo occupies a place of pride in the Smith Collection, just as it surely will at the home of a new owner. It is the rolling embodiment of high style and good taste, as it was in 1950.

Edited article from the Southeby's website



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I was delighted to see the article on the 6C 2500 Freccia d'Oro in Alfa Occidentale No. 7. No, I don't own one but there is (or was) at least one in Australia. It was owned by a long-time member of the Victorian Division of AROCA, the late Ernie Stock. After he retired, Ernie moved to a rural property in far northern New South Wales where his sheds housed an eclectic collection of Alfa Romeos in various states of repair. One of these was the Freccia d'Oro. It was a large car with a column gearshift and the interior was styled quite like an American car of the late 1940s. Ernie took me for a run in it when I visited in 1993. In an article for the Victorian club magazine I commented that it did not so much accelerate as "gather speed." This did not please Ernie, but it was really a fast luxury car rather than a sports car. I would dispute that it was the first Alfa Romeo road car to exceed 160 kph (100 mph). The pre-war Alfa Romeo 8C 2900B 'supercar' (pictured on p. 13 of Alfa Occidentale No. 7) was capable of around 120 mph and in a famous test at the Brooklands race track was found to be the fastest car of its time on the road.



Ernie also had a 6C 2500 Berlina and an iron block 2000 Spider from the late 1950s, among other more familiar Alfa Romeos. Although it had been sold before I visited, Ernie had also owned the only Alfa Romeo Type 33 racing car to have ever come to Australia. It was imported by Alfa Romeo Australia for promotional purposes and later sold to Ernie. It appeared at least once on the race track, driven by Fred Gibson, I think. It was fitted with a 4 litre 'Can Am' engine, rather than the normal 3 litre unit. Its provenance was vague and it may have been a factory 'mule'. Ernie never drove it, but let other more skilful drivers occasionally pilot it. As happens so often, it was sold for a large sum of money and went to the USA.

I attach several photos of these cars.

Best regards,

Bruce Thomas



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