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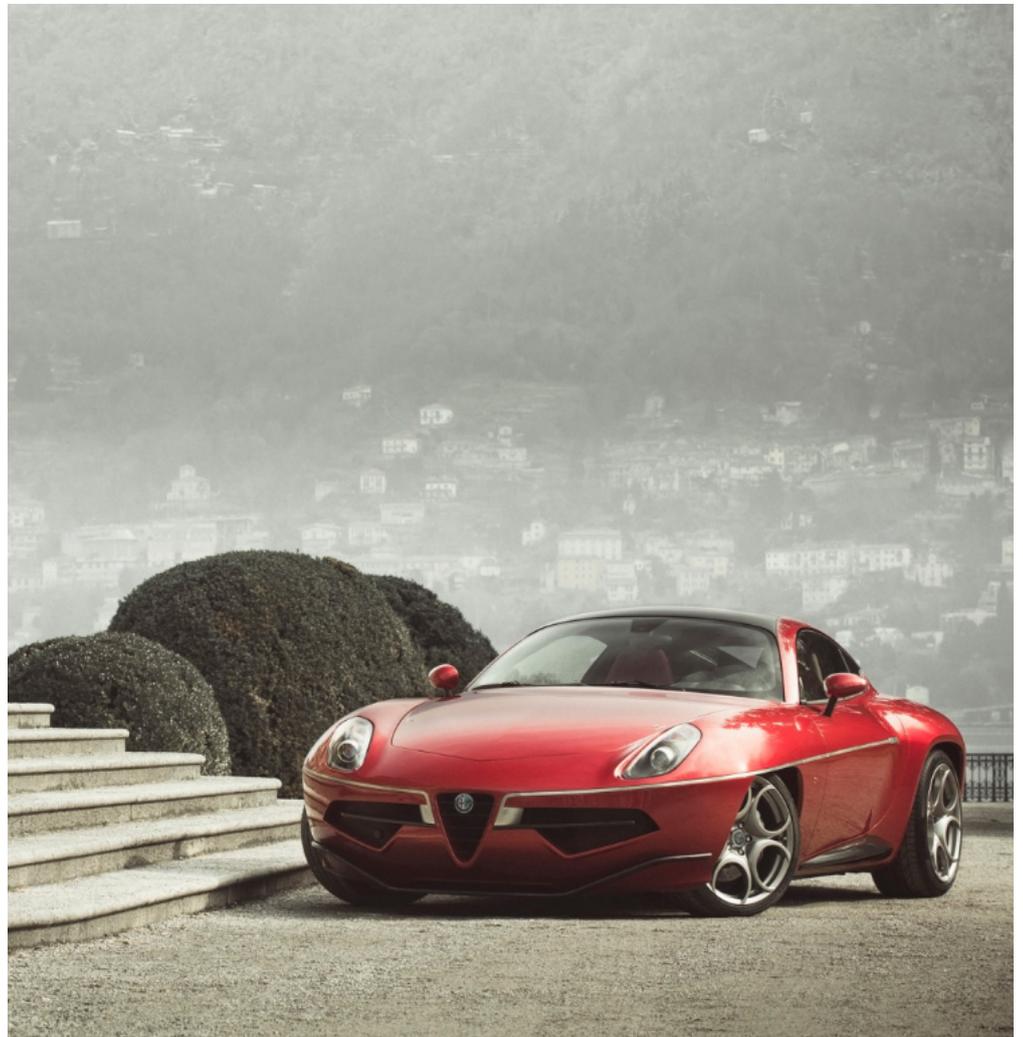
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Presidente | John Anderson



At last! This awful year is almost over! We can soon look forward to 2021 with new hope that things will surely be better. And don't we all need that?

At the Christmas party, I was honoured to receive a (hopefully) one-off award from the club for being the poor sod who happened to be the President this year. It's certainly been a tough year to be organising anything. I am very grateful for the sentiment behind the award, but of course I don't run the club alone. In fact, in the context of a club that is supposed to be by the members for the members, I see my contribution as keeping everyone focussed and getting done the things that need to be done. It's the members, through the committee, who have gotten us through this. I'm grateful to the committee for their guidance, contributions and support this year.

Many thanks to all who have otherwise contributed to the club this year. I particularly feel for Neil Summerson and Tony Nelson who postponed the 'Day in the Country' charity event twice, and ended up having to cancel it altogether. And of course, I feel for the Alfesta 2020 Organising Committee, who had put together a cracker of an Alfesta that never happened. However, with hindsight, we made an excellent decision. Before there were any restrictions imposed, we saw that they would be coming, and made the decision to provide people with maximum notice to change their plans. And as it turned out, heavy restrictions were in place by Easter. The hotel was even closed by then! That was my most painful memory of this year. But it was the best decision in the interests of members, as time has proven.

Looking forward to next year, it looks like we could well be getting back to normal - somewhat. If the vaccine we have been promised works as well as claimed, then we can have some hope that our face-to-face interactions with each other will be far less restricted. And that means we can have a lot more social interactions! We are mostly a social club, after all - even when competing on the track. While the Christmas party was the first restaurant-based event in quite a while, that will change in the new year. We've had a lot of picnics this year, and the feedback on those has been positive, so we won't lose them. But we will have a few runs and other events that end at a venue where you don't have to worry about the food. And our larger events, such as show and shines, the Concours, MacLeans Bridge, and A Day in the Country are all now legal under current restrictions. Let's hope some idiot doesn't ruin that, and it stays that way!

I would also like to congratulate Mark Jackson for once again taking out the Alfacomp trophy, as well as winning several of the competition categories. As the Competition Secretary, Mark has overseen the competition side of our club for a long time, and he leads from the front, always showing up to most (if not all) events, and doing his best to win the trophy. He's always sharing advice and ideas with other competitors, and isn't a bad bloke to have a beer with! Our club has a true champion in Mark Jackson, our Alfacomp winner (again!) for this year.

On the social side, the committee decided not to award the 'Spirit of Alfisti' and 'Services to the Club' awards this year, as due to the limited number of events, we felt that there was too limited opportunity for members to demonstrate the qualities that usually earn people these awards. Hopefully things will be different next year. While the committee decides, any member can nominate

another member for these awards, so if you think there's someone who is worthy, please let a committee member know, so that person will be considered in October/November next year.

However, we did award the Clubmanship award, and the Most Active New Member award. They went to Rod and Glenys Silver, and Brian Neil respectively. Each time you go to a social (including midweek drives) event, you get a point, and the person/s at the end of the year with the most points wins. So next year, it could be you. Congratulations to the winners, and keep enjoying what the club has to offer!

Once again due to the pandemic, we delayed the Annual General Meeting until November Club Night, which was held at Yeronga RSL. The previous committee was returned unchanged, although we welcome the addition of Danny Newland and Bernie Campbell as Members at Large. Steve Jones is retiring, and is therefore also retiring as the club's solicitor. We thank Steve for many years of service in that role, and for all his advice. If anyone qualified to practice Law would like to take on that role for the club, please let me know. While the AGM voted to use the same firm for the club audit this year, PKF have been doing it for several years. It was pointed out that it is good practice to change your auditors once in a while, to ensure good financial practices are followed. So any suggestions for which firm should audit us next membership year are welcome.

Also, the AGM selected three charities from which the committee will select one in the February committee meeting to be our charity of the year. Those charities are Beyond Blue, the Queensland Cancer Council, and a charity supporting people with Parkinson's disease. I encourage all members to provide feedback and rationale to the committee as to which of these three it should be. Ideally, the committee would like to select a charity that has benefited club members.

And that about wraps it up for this year (thank goodness). On behalf of the committee, I wish all members and their families a very Merry Christmas, and may we have a much happier and prosperous 2021, especially when we enjoy our Alfas!

Buon Natale a tutti!

John Anderson

Notizia

Sporty new Alfa Romeo Stelvio Veloce Ti launched



by: Luke Wilkinson 10 Dec 2020

This is the Alfa Romeo Stelvio Veloce Ti. It's a new performance version of the Italian SUV, which will be available to order from January next year.

Upgrades over the standard Alfa Romeo Stelvio Veloce include a unique rear bumper, dark-tinted exterior badging, rear privacy glass and black window surrounds. Buyers can also have a fresh set of five-spoke 21-inch alloy wheels as an optional extra.

Inside, the new Stelvio Veloce Ti features a host of tweaks inspired by the car's flagship Quadrifoglio version, with aluminium paddle shifters, leather and Alcantara sports seats, a black headliner and rear carbon fibre trim for the dashboard and centre console.

Like the standard Veloce, the Ti is powered by a turbocharged 2.0-litre four-cylinder petrol engine, which develops 276bhp and 400Nm of torque. The unit sends drive to all four wheels via a six-speed automatic gearbox and offers a 0–62mph time of 5.7 seconds.

Along with this new model, Alfa Romeo has also updated the rest of the Stelvio's engine range to ensure it complies with Euro 6d regulations. The firm has also added a host of connected services, including an on-board WiFi hotspot, an SOS call function and an updated navigation system which provides real-time traffic information and speed camera alerts.

There's also a new, dedicated smartphone app, which can remotely lock and unlock the Stelvio's doors, set speed limiters and flash the car's headlamps. The system also works in conjunction with Amazon Alexa and Google Home assistants.



Secretary's AGM Report 2020

During the year 12 committee meetings were held, 5 at member's homes and 7 via skype, at which minutes were taken and recorded.

- Post box cleared on 45 visits.
- Cheques deposited at BOQ on 11 occasions.
- Payments made during the year,
- Motorsport Australia affiliation for 2020 \$1270.
- Office of Fair Trading annual return for 2019 \$56.60

- Post box annual fee for 2020 \$134
- Following the cancellation of Alfesta 2020, 31 Alfesta gift packs were packaged and posted.

Thank You to the following,

Peter & Robyn-Ann Mathews, and Tony & Jude Vaughan for opening their homes for committee meetings.

The committee for your support,

And Shirley for all your assistance.

Ferrari CEO Camilleri steps down

Ferrari CEO Louis Camilleri is retiring from the role, effective immediately.

Camilleri, 65, is stepping down for personal reasons, Ferrari said in a statement on Thursday.

Ferrari's Executive Chairman, John Elkann, will act as interim CEO while the company identifies a successor, Ferrari said.

Camilleri will also give up his board seat.

Camilleri also is retiring from his role as executive chairman of tobacco giant Philip Morris International, the Marlboro maker said separately.

At Philip Morris, Camilleri's retirement triggered a succession plan that has been in place for some time, the company said.

Philip Morris CEO Andre Calantzopoulos will become executive chairman. Lucio Noto, the company's independent presiding director, will serve as interim chair in the meantime. Chief Operating Officer Jacek Olczak will succeed Calantzopoulos as CEO when he takes the chairman spot.





Ah, the Christmas season! In a year of such uncertainty, it seemed too far away to plan for, and has snuck up on us! Please enjoy your time with your loved ones, and be merry! Goodness knows we deserve it after this year.

On November the 8th, Doug and Cynthia Earl treated us to one of the best near-Brisbane runs you can do. Starting at the Old School at Tamborine Village, we headed south through the rolling hills of the hinterland, and ended up at Springbrook, right next to Purlingbrook Falls for a picnic. While summer hadn't quite kicked in, it had been quite warm during the preceding week, and so it was a shock to actually feel cold at Springbrook! It was a great spot for a picnic. Many thanks to Doug and Cynthia for organising the day, and we look forward to seeing what you give us next year!

Our Christmas party at Mates Restaurant and Bar, Wynnum on December 6th was a great success! And boy, did we need that air conditioning! Mukesh and his staff did a great job, delivering great food at a great price, and enabling us to all have a good time to end the year. Congratulations to all the trophy winners, both competition and social. Many thanks to all those who donated something for the raffle, and congratulations to all the raffle winners (not me unfortunately)! I'll be recommending to the committee that we book there again for next year, to lock it in. I doubt that we can get a better value air-conditioned venue anywhere.

Looking to next year, Neil Summerson and Tony Nelson are organising an Australia day event at Neil's property at Peak Crossing. This event is open to other clubs, and due to current COVID restrictions, they are limited to a maximum of 50 cars (100 people) in total, with no spectators. They've allocated 10 spots to us, which will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. I've sent an email out with the details, so the spots are probably gone by now. But you should check anyway, as those who initially miss out will go on a waiting list.

On February 28th, also at Neil Summerson's property at Peak Crossing, Immediate Past President Peter Mathews is organising a show and shine for our club, and the Fiat club. So if you miss out on the Australia Day event, please sign up for this! We have to assume the same 50 car/100 people restriction will still be in place, but that should be plenty for all who want to come. Bring a picnic, give the car a polish, enjoy the day, and you might win a trophy!

I'm also looking at a dinner night at one of the best Italian restaurants in the world, 1889 Enoteca, at Woolloongabba, in early February. It's a bit pricey, with two courses costing at least \$70 a head. And we'd probably need at least 30 people to commit to it, on a week night. But it is one of the best Italian restaurants in the world, and they'd put us in their excellent wine cellar for our meal. So it would be a night to remember. I'd like to get feedback on whether or not this would appeal. I'm suggesting Thursday, February 11th as the date, so you could make it an early Valentine's treat. But if most people would prefer another date, we'll do that. Please let me know what you think about this on social@arocaql.com as soon as you can. I'll also investigate a set course meal, which might make it a bit cheaper for everyone.

And that's it from me for 2020! Merry Christmas everyone, and may 2021 be a much, much better year than this one.

John Anderson

Christmas Snaps!



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Euroday in Pictures | Mark Buchanan



Postponed from way back in April, Sunday the 6th of December saw the reboot of Euroday at Lakeside. Unlike our cooler Euroday's of past this one was... hot indeed! In light of the heat, the skies were clear, and the turnout impressive! The feature car of the day was the mighty Senna. Which did cruise laps with the rest of the pack and its own demonstration laps around midday. Clearly not being driven to potential, this still looked fast. I never tired of seeing it again and again!

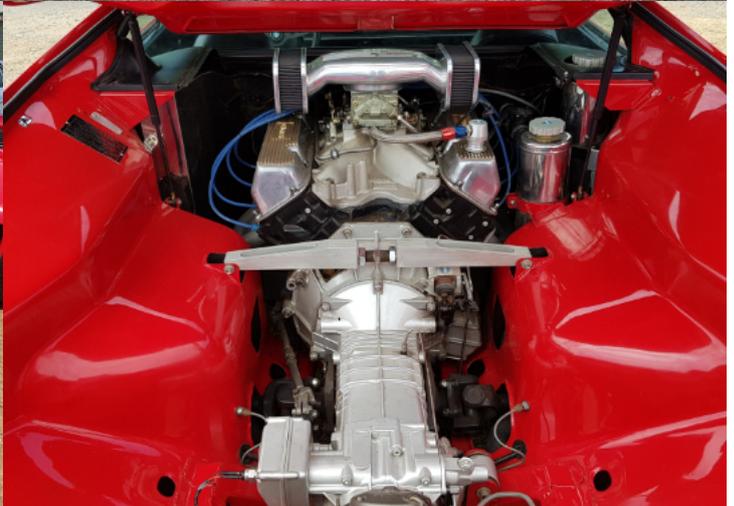
If this was not enough the Supercar Club also had a great presence, with a great gaggle of German, Italian and British machinery on display. The Alfa's were well presented by a cluster of three 4C's, all red of course. The day did have a fair share of moments, with a fellow

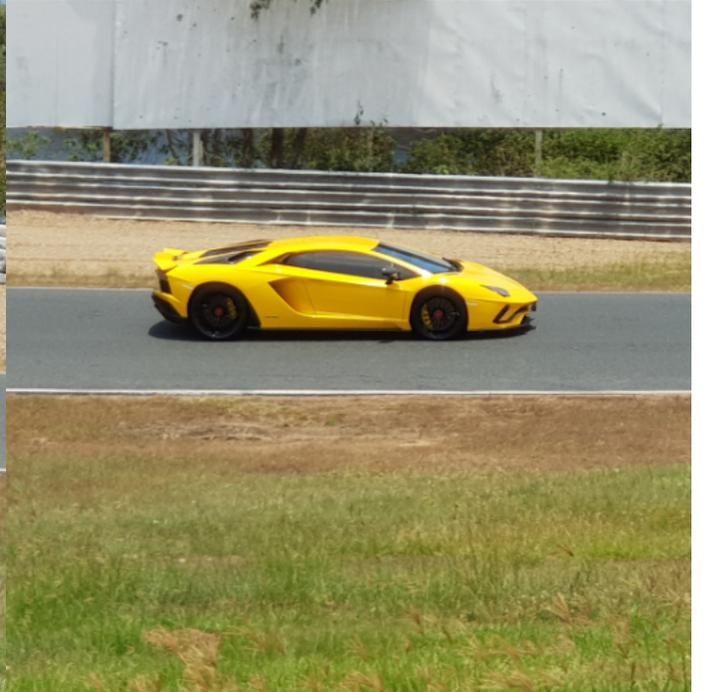
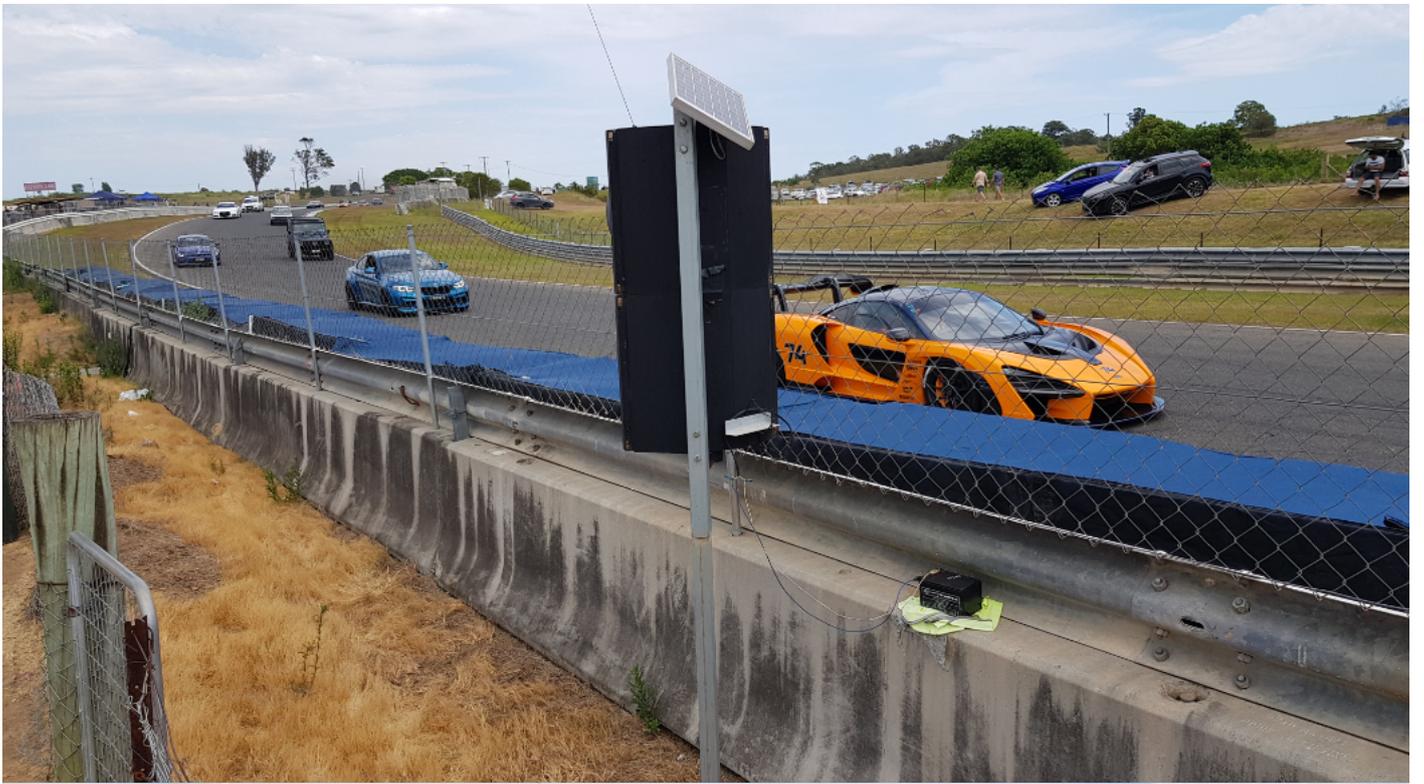
pushing his Mercedes-Benz G Wagon a tad too hard, cooking it as a result! Not sure where or what it came off, however keen observers lined up along the main straight were ducking for cover when a (I think) front air splitter flew off only to be run over by a nearby car. And one of our beloved 4C entrants pulled off the track to be towed back after the session had finished. There was nothing obvious to me, however it took some time for the tow point to be found and fitted...

Despite a great day and looking forward to next year, hopefully held in the cooler Euro style weather!

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North Queensland Road Trip | Laurie Jones



One of the early COVID-related cancellations in 2020 was our annual Great Endeavour Rally, which was planned to visit Birdsville, Cameron Corner, Innamincka and the Simpson Desert in August. It promised to be a great trip, revisiting some places from our first Endeavour Rally in 2004, but the Australian Army had more pressing duties, and it would not be the same without their support. So, the Quattro was put up on the hoist in storage ready for preparation for the postponed trip in 2021.

When the health restrictions had been eased enough to allow unrestricted travel within Queensland, we decided to do an alternative road trip to North Queensland, but in the air-conditioned comfort, power, and economy of our diesel I47. It only needed one small item of preparation – when we bought the car it was fitted with a locking stud on each wheel, and the special socket to remove them had been misplaced. Not keen on risking tyre problems on a long trip without any means of removing a wheel, I intended to change them for standard studs. I had managed to get one off by adapting a standard socket, but the other three were too stubborn, so the car was booked in to Bob Jane Tyres in Noosaville the day before we were due to leave, to have them removed with a special tool.

In the meantime, I had put out a request for four replacement standard studs on the Alfa Romeo of Australia Facebook page, and member Graham Fry kindly offered spares which we could collect south of Brisbane. We drove down in the I47, picked them up and headed back, noticing that the low battery warning light came on intermittently, then continuously as we neared home. Alfa forums suggested causes ranging from faulty alternator or dodgy battery to the usual poor earth connection, so the next morning I took the car the short distance to a local auto electrician for diagnosis. As I turned into his driveway the engine stalled, the dashboard warning lights lit up like a Christmas tree, and everything went dead. The diagnosis was a failed alternator (probably not surprising after 190,000 km) requiring an RACQ tilt-tray lift home. Internet research into alternator replacement led to depressing tales of stubborn nuts, disconnection of the engine from its mounts, bruised knuckles, and opposing versions of whether it was easier to remove and replace it from above or below the car. The consensus was that, either way, it was a pig of a job, and as we were now 24 hours from the start of our holiday, with the first few nights' accommodation booked, the I47 was pushed into the garage to be dealt with much later.



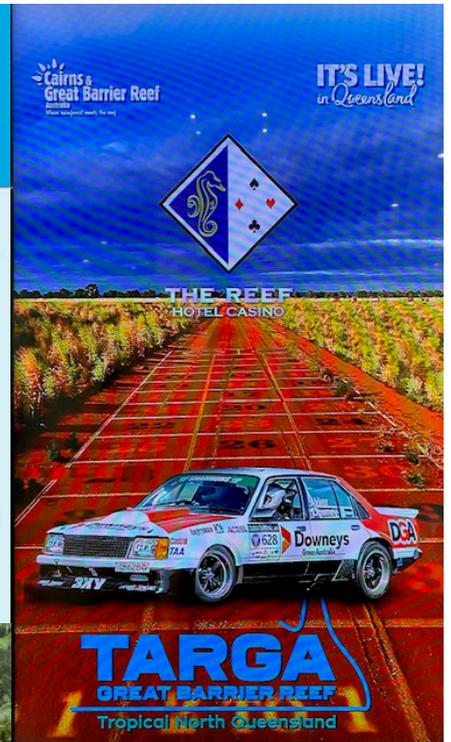
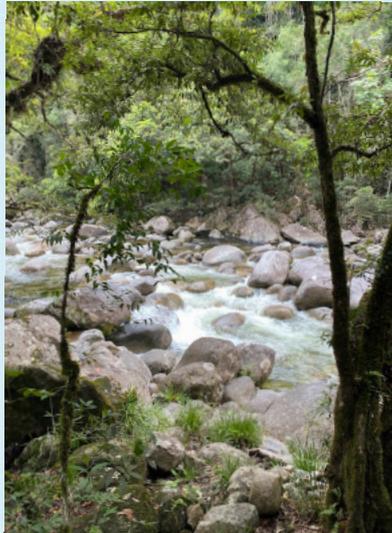
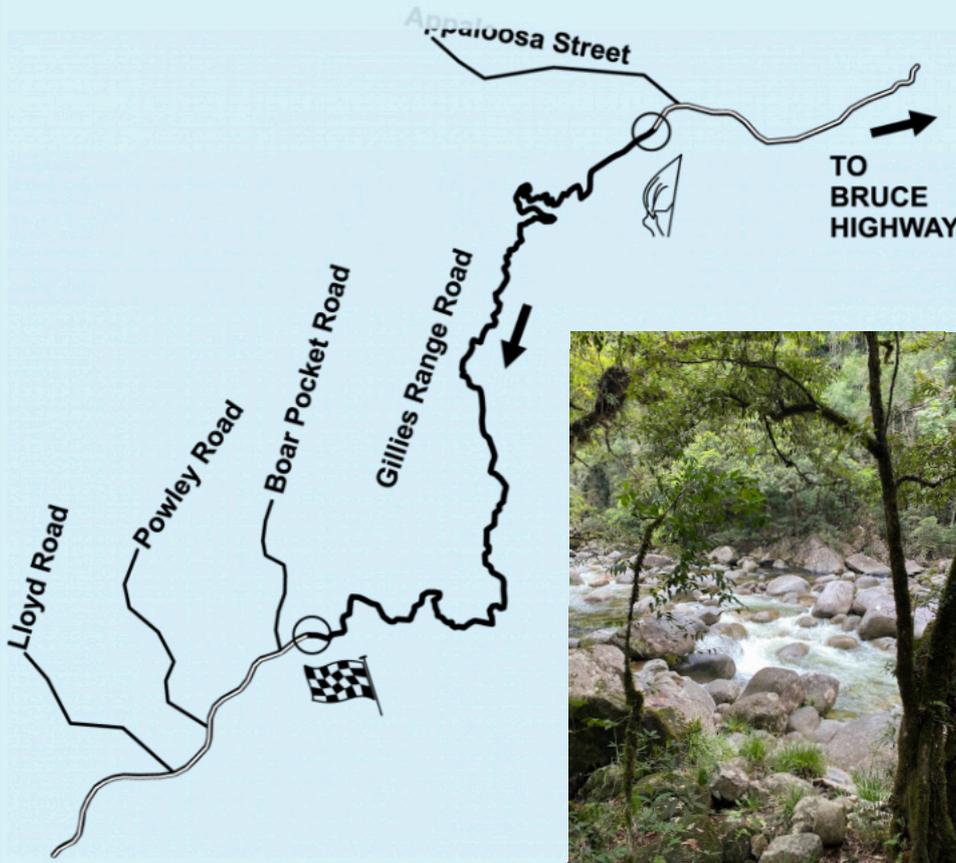
COMPETITION

GREAT BARRIER REEF

SHOP

continue to climb to the top of the Gillies Range

STAGE 2: GILLIES RANGE







Attention now turned to 'Old Faithful' – the Quattro was taken down from the hoist, last year's rally dust washed off, and oil and water checked. The appointment at Bob Jane's was changed from removing the 147 wheel studs to a wheel alignment and fitting four new tyres on the Quattro. We left home on schedule, after considerable drama, and in a different vehicle, but soon settled in to a planned four-week road trip. The first few days were spent at Woodgate, followed by a few more at Seventeen-Seventy, then nights at Rockhampton, Mackay, Townsville, and Cardwell. We called in to visit some friends from the Noosa Beach Classic Car Club who had relocated to Mission Beach, before reaching Cairns.

We had originally planned our trip to be in June/July, but various obstacles kept pushing it out until we realized that by leaving later we could see some of the Targa Great Barrier Reef which was to be held around Cairns from 4-6 September. The Pullman Reef Hotel and Casino was the major sponsor, so we had booked a stay there, intending to see the start of the event and some of the special stages as they looped out of Cairns each day. Some of the entrants' names, either in the Targa or the accompanying non-competitive Tour, would be familiar to club members – Phil Ross from Shannons, Dan Bowden, Tony Lenan, and Karen Ho and Colleen Berry.

We watched the start of the Targa from the hotel entry and joined the cars on a transport section to the start line of a special closed stage up the Gillies Range Road towards Atherton - 19.5 km of very steep winding road, with the same stage in the downhill direction after lunch. We drove up the same road a few days later, but at a much more sedate speed. The stages on the next two days were on longer loops out of Cairns, south to

Mission Beach and north to Kuranda, so we spent the time in Cairns and a day trip to Palm Cove. Heading north from Cairns we spent a few days at a resort near Mossman Gorge with a day trip to Port Douglas, and considered going further north across the Daintree River to Cape Tribulation, although we had been there fairly recently on an Endeavour Rally. The resort manager said 'you don't want to go to Cape Trib. – there's just swamp and mosquitoes' (obviously not a member of the Far North Qld Tourist Association!) and convinced us to return to Cairns and go out to Fitzroy Island, which was a new and enjoyable experience.

Because the trip up to Cairns was fairly quick to catch the Targa, we decided to return more leisurely, and went up to the Atherton Tableland, visited Paronella Park, called in to Mary-Alice's cousin at Tully, visited Tully Gorge, had a few nights at Airlie Beach and Hamilton Island, a short stay at Yeppoon, went whale-watching at Hervey Bay, and returned home on schedule after 4,400 km. The Quattro never missed a beat, just requiring an oil top-up occasionally.

We can recommend a drive to North Queensland – some of the towns are in dire need of a tourism boost, particularly places like Cairns, Port Douglas, and Airlie Beach, which rely so heavily on international tourism. The reef boats tied up in marinas, empty shops and For Lease signs tell a sad story, but enough venues are still operating to ensure an enjoyable driving holiday. Fuel prices were reasonable, and there are some particularly good deals on accommodation – just make sure you have a reliable 35-year-old Alfa.

Ducking for Cover | Mark Buchanan



At the end of each year the search begins for a suitable cover shot for Per Sempre Alfa. In a normal year there are more than enough images captured, from racing events, show and shines, reviews and photo shoots. I always seem to have a great repository of things to grab in a hurry. Typically in the last year or so, images are chosen and laid out from A to F with our Committee casting a vote for favourite (2 points) and a second favourite (1 point). A few days later I tally the score, prepare the cover for printing and off we go! It's highly likely you have the new cover on the edition your reading!

There is many a time though when a great shot is not good enough, or the car was shot in a garage, paddock or yard... Hardly exciting. So this is where a good composite comes in.

The process is nothing new, (I have been doing this kind of work for over 25 years, airbrushed in the early days) almost everything in the production world has some kind of composite or editing work done.

The cover for 2021 started life as an image to be featured in our programme for Alfesta 2020. So I was pretty chuffed when the committee chose the cover seen here today. I thought I'd share a glimpse into how it came to be.

The car was shot in the garage at Old Timer Australia. Mark Jansen was our major sponsor for this event, so it was fitting to feature one of the cars for sale at the time. The Alfa photographed is a 1963 Alfa Romeo Giulia Sprint Speciale.



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SCAN ME



This is a very photogenic car (most Alfa's are), light and room permitting, I grabbed every angle possible resulting in quite a few (what I call) hero shots.

The Toolbox

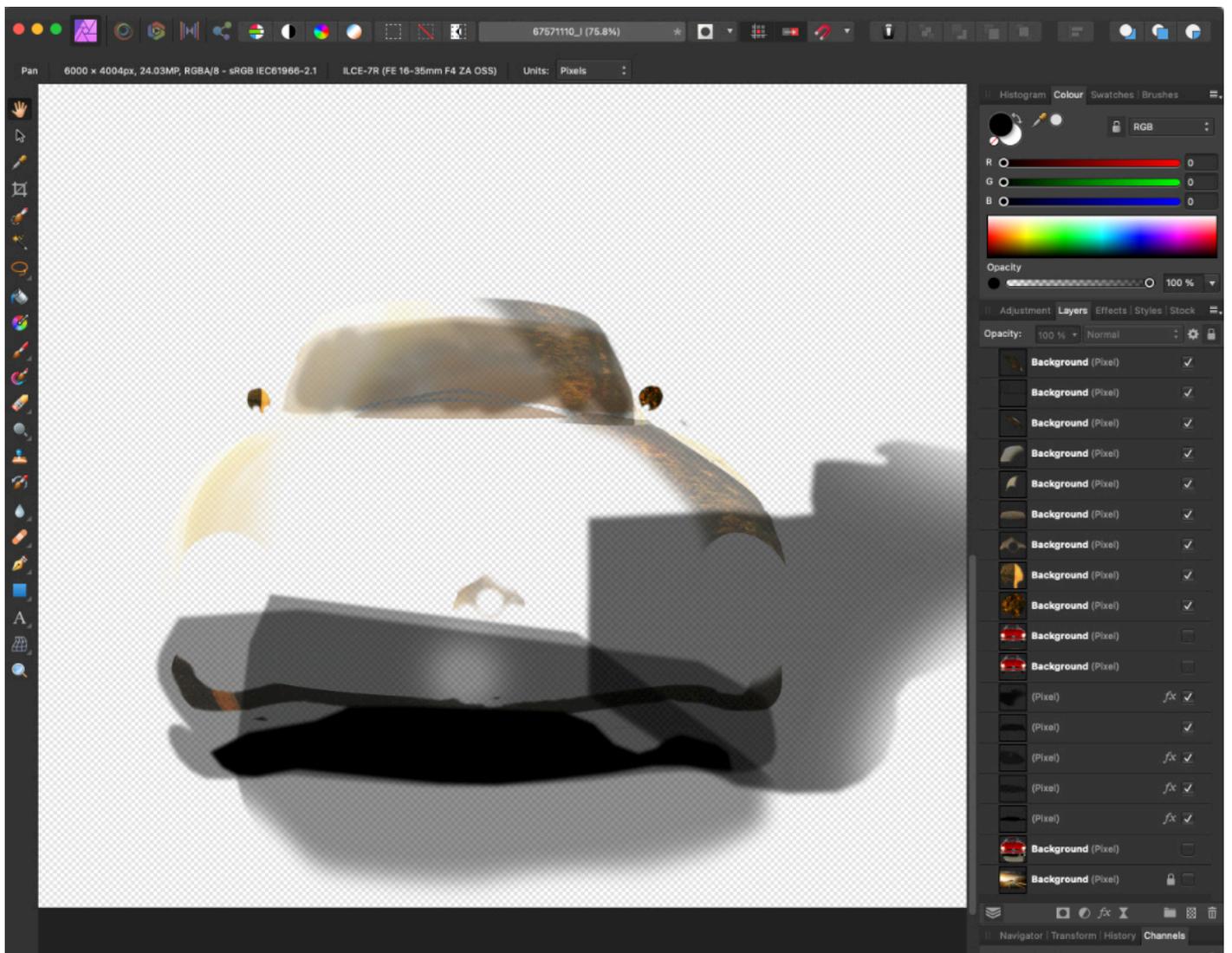
Being training traditionally and then becoming an early adopter of Photoshop (version 1.0) techniques have not changed that much. Much like the days of old using Frisket, a clear plastic tacky film that you cut to shape with a scalpel. You mask off areas where you want to paint or blend around the image. At present my tools consist of continuous lighting gear (I don't use a flash), my trust Nikon 7200, iPad Pro, Mac and the Affinity Photo editing software.

Chasing Reflections

After settling on an image angle and (in this case) sourcing a suitable stock photo. I begin by simply cutting (selecting) just the vehicle, preserving the original shadow sources from the shot in the garage. I won't burden you with the detail, but I end up with lots of reference layers helping me to (kinda) keep it looking real.

Affinity Photo also runs on the iPad Pro, with which I have a stylus (Apple Pencil) to select and brush in chosen reflections from the master background.





With reflections now in place, I start the same process with the shadows. A bit of creative license comes in here. I try to mimic both the shadow directions of the scene and of the original garage shadows in and around the car.

With reflection and shadow layers turned on, it was easy for me to now edit, warp and work with the various brushes the new effects into the scene.

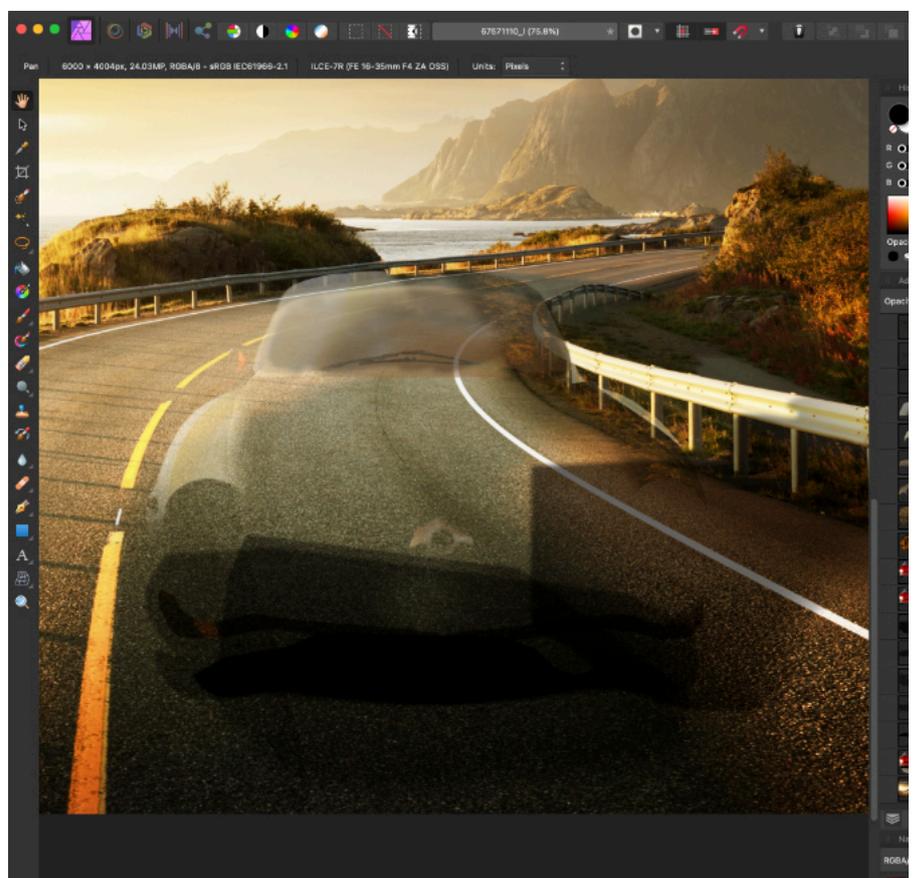
The final step involved massaging the shadows, mid-tones and highlights of the car image itself. Always an area where you can over saturate colour, taking you too far away from the original paint work.

With a bit of planning, this kind of job can be done in a day. Every project is different though, and thankfully shooting time was not an issue. A big thanks to Old Timer Australia for a great car to shoot!

Enjoy the Drive!

Mark Buchanan

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3 of Pininfarina's Most Beautiful Designs That Aren't Ferraris

Pininfarina is a legendary Italian coachbuilder and design house that's been in business since 1930. Over the years, it worked closely with Ferrari on some of its most memorable cars, but that relationship wasn't exclusive. Here are some of its best designs for Alfa Romeo.



Alfa Romeo Brera

The front-wheel drive Brera hatchback never came to America, but thanks to that brutish, perfectly proportioned fascia, it's certainly memorable. It's too bad Pininfarina doesn't design more mainstream hatchbacks.





Alfa Romeo GTV

The Alfa Romeo GTV is one of the newer Pininfarina designs on this list. The classic wedge shape got some added Italian flair and a Kammback rear end. Sadly, it never came to the U.S., but it would be a fun one to import in a few years—even if it is front-wheel drive.





Alfa Romeo Spider

There's a lot to be said for getting a design right the first time, and clearly Pininfarina nailed it with the Alfa Romeo Spider. It started production in 1966 and still looked almost identical when it was canceled in 1994. There aren't many designs that have had that kind of staying power. Here's a '67 model in near perfect condition you can own today.



Competizione | Mark Jackson

And so, we have made it to the end of a challenging year. All the competition results have been finalised with the final event being a sprint on a hot afternoon at Queensland Raceway

Italian Challenge Sprint Series Round 5, November 22nd, Queensland Raceway –

Again, the entry list was disappointing with only 3 starters – Graeme Berry, Colin Densley, and me. We all suffered from some problems. Some were heat related such as Colin’s overheating problem and my tyre delamination, but Graeme had problems with an intermittent miss caused by a poor connection in his fuel injector electronics. The conditions also were not good for quick lap times, with all of us lapping a second or two slower than our best. However, as usual, all problems were solved after the event at the Yamanto Tavern.



Queensland Supersprint Championships, November 14/15th, Morgan Park –

The weekend before, Graeme and I also competed in the Supersprint Championship round in Warwick. Again, weather conditions were not great for fast lap times with everyone being a little off their best. I finished up in a group of very quick Datsun race cars, and the only time I saw another car was on the warm-up and cool-down laps, but it was a trouble-free weekend generally. Graeme was at least competitive in his group and he was the only Alfa competitor to actually overtake another car on the weekend. He was, however, troubled all weekend by the previously mentioned fuel injector issue so missed a few runs over the course of the weekend.

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Alfacomp 2021 Calendar

Date	Venue	Event
6/7 February	Morgan Park	Supersprint
6 March	Lakeside	Sprint
18 April	Qld Raceway	Sprint
1/2 May	Morgan Park	Supersprint
12 June	Lakeside	Sprint
20 June	Qld Raceway	Sprint
10/11 July	Morgan Park	Supersprint
18 August	Qld Raceway	Sprint
25/26 September	Morgan Park	Supersprint
2 October	Lakeside	Sprint
10 October	Qld Raceway	Sprint
27 November	Lakeside	Sprint

Optional Events

24 March	Qld Raceway	Midweek Sprint
6 May	Qld Raceway	Midweek Sprint
8 July	Qld Raceway	Midweek Sprint
16 September	Qld Raceway	Midweek Sprint
11 November	Qld Raceway	Midweek Sprint

Race Events Calendar TBA

EVENT	S/S	Spr	Reg	Spr	Reg	S/S	Spr	Reg	Race	S/S
	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	3		3
1 Mark Jackson	0	20	20	10	8	20	10	10	8	20
2 Andrei Vishnevskii	0	14	16	7	7	0	7	8	0	0
3 Serge Oberhauser	16	0	0	8	10	14	0	0	6	0
4 Col Densley	0	11	12	0	0	0	6	7	0	0
5 Alan Broadhurst	20	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	16
6 Luke Simiana	14	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	14
7 Ken Percival	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	10	12
8 Jenny Webb	10	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	11
8 Phil O'Callaghan	0	16	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9 Peter Salmon	9	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	10
11 Graeme Berry	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
11 Doug Stonehouse	12	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0
13 Russell Bampton	0	12	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14 Charles Webb	11	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0
14 Henry Heeremans	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16 Jorritt Kooistra	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	6	0	0
17 Rob Robson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0

2020 ALFACOMP SPRINT #5-Open Sprint Queensland Raceway

DRIVER	ALFA	CC's	RUN1	RUN2	RUN3	REG PTS	REG	Spr
Mark Jackson	Alfa 147 GTA	3200	<u>65.57</u>	66.23	66.00	11.12	10	10
Graeme Berry	Alfa 156	2000	75.55	<u>73.66</u>	71.38	30	7	8
Colin Densley	Alfetta GTV	2000	76.83	74.85	<u>74.29</u>	18.18	8	7

Fastest time underlined

Competition Trophy Winners 2020

Alfacomp Overall

First – Mark Jackson
 Second – Andrei Vishnevskii
 Third – Serge Oberhauser

Race Category

First – Ken Percival
 Second – Mark Jackson
 Third – Serge Oberhauser/ Rob Robson

Supersprint Category

First – Alan Broadhurst
 Second – Luke Simiana/ Mark Jackson

Sprint Category

First – Mark Jackson
 Second – Andrei Vishnevskii
 Third – Colin Densley

Regularity Category

First – Mark Jackson
 Second – Andrei Vishnevskii
 Third – Colin Densley

20 POINTSCORE

Spr	Reg	Spr	Reg		Total	Total	Best	Alfacomp	Sprint	Reg	S/S	Race
					Events	Points	Events	Points				
4	4	5	5		13	166	10	140	60	58	40	8
10	10	10	10		8	75	8	75	36	39	0	0
8	8	0	0		5	54	5	54	8	10	30	6
0	0	0	0		6	51	6	51	24	27	0	0
0	0	7	8		3	46	3	46	0	0	46	0
0	0	0	0		3	40	3	40	0	0	40	0
0	0	0	0		3	38	1	38	0	0	28	10
0	0	0	0		3	30	3	30	0	0	30	0
0	0	0	0		2	30	2	30	16	14	0	0
0	0	0	0		3	27	3	27	0	0	27	0
0	0	8	7		3	24	3	24	8	7	9	0
0	0	0	0		2	23	2	23	0	0	23	0
0	0	0	0		2	23	2	23	12	11	0	0
0	0	0	0		2	18	2	18	0	0	18	0
7	7	0	0		2	14	2	14	7	7	0	0
0	0	0	0		2	14	2	14	8	6	0	0
0	0	0	0		1	6	1	6	0	0	0	6

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Social Events



Date/Venue	Details
Tue - Jan 26 - 2021 Peak Crossing	Australia Day in the Country - Celebrate Australia Day in style with your Alfa in a quintessential country setting at the rural property of Neil and Jenny Summerson. On the menu will be pies and peas and lamingtons, tea and coffee. Catering will be provided by the Rotary Club of Fassifern Valley. The food is provided at no cost to you, but in the spirit of the day, we are suggesting everyone make a donation of \$10 on entry to go to Rotary as a sign of appreciation and thanks. You are encouraged to come in your best Aussie gear and there will be prizes for Best-Dressed Male, Female and Couple. Bring your classic (or other) car and join in the fun. Numbers will be strictly limited to 100. AROCA has been allocated a quota of 20 people and 10 cars, so get in quick. RSVP to social@arocaqld.com
Sun - Feb 28 - 2021 Peak Crossing	Show 'n Shine & Picnic - This will be an event exclusively for AROCA and our good friends in the Fiat Car Club. Venue will be the country property of Neil and Jenny Summerson. More details to come. AROCA member Peter Mathews will be coordinating this event - contact Peter for more information and to RSVP: peter@workplaceedge.com.au
Thu - Apr 1 - 2021 South Australia	Alfesta 2021 - Day 0 - While Alfesta officially kicks off tomorrow, there will be an informal get-together for attendees who arrive on Thursday afternoon or evening. [➡ Alfesta 2021 Website]
Fri - Apr 2 - 2021 South Australia	Alfesta 2021 - Day 1 - After breakfast, there will be the official Alfesta welcome and briefing before we set out on our first day of fun. [➡ Alfesta 2021 Website]
Sat - Apr 3 - 2021 South Australia	Alfesta 2021 - Day 2 - Breakfast and briefing before we throw ourselves into Alfesta fun again. [➡ Alfesta 2021 Website]
Sun - Apr 4 - 2021 South Australia	Alfesta 2021 - Day 3 - Breakfast and briefing before we begin our last full day of Alfesta 2021. The highlight will be this evening's formal dinner and presentations. [➡ Alfesta 2021 Website]
Mon - Apr 5 - 2021 South Australia	Alfesta 2021 - Day 4 - Our final breakfast together before Alfesta 2021 officially wraps up. [➡ Alfesta 2021 Website]
Sun - May 23 - 2021 Belmont Rifle Range, Old Cleveland Road, Belmont	2021 Macleans Bridge Car Show - Hosted by the Triumph Sports Owners Association, this is possibly Queensland's biggest classic car event, typically involving around 400 cars from many different marques. Entry is \$15.00 per display car which included driver and all passengers. Gates open for display cars at 7.30am, 9.00am for visitors, awards ceremony will be at midday. On site caterers have been organised and there will be three coffee vans from early morning for those of you desperate on your caffeine fix as soon as your arrive. Food vans will also be serving breakfast rolls from gate opening time in case you did not have time for breakfast prior to departure. To avoid the queues at the gates, we urge visitors to pre-register and pay for entry during the weeks prior to the event. Those who pre-register will be sent a form to display on their dash as they drive in to the range and then proceed through the preregistered lane thus avoiding those waiting to pay at the gate. Pre-registration also gives the organisers an idea of how many cars are attending from specific clubs and ensure that there is sufficient parking allocated so the club members can park together. Pre-registration forms can be downloaded from the MacLean's Bridge website. This year the classes for judging the cars has changed and also note that only cars displaying a "field judging card" on their dash will be judged for an award. Cards will be handed out in the pack at the gate or can be downloaded from the website. Once again proceeds from this event are going to assist Orange Sky with washing and showering facilities for the homeless. [➡ Macleans Bridge Website]

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other Events

Date/Venue

Details

Sat - Mar 27 - 2021
Pelican Park, Clontarf

Peninsula Motorfest - From the same team that brings you Brekkie and Cars in Redcliffe we bring you Peninsula Motorfest at one of the best places on the peninsula for a car show. Pelican Park Clontarf. All money raised on the day will go towards local charity ROPE inc. Entry is FREE for everyone. Prizes, giveaways, old school muscle cars, hot rods, classics, modern V8s, motorbikes VIP parking area, music, food stalls, market stalls and some entertainment/rides for the kids. [[More Information](#)]

Club Nights



Date/Venue	Details
Wed - Feb 10 - 2021 TBA	Members' Club Night - Please assemble from 6.30pm - we aim to start the meeting by 7.30pm. Check the Club website and magazine for updates.
Wed - Mar 10 - 2021 TBA	Members' Club Night - Please assemble from 6.30pm - we aim to start the meeting by 7.30pm. Check the Club website and magazine for updates.
Wed - Apr 14 - 2021 TBA	Members' Club Night - Please assemble from 6.30pm - we aim to start the meeting by 7.30pm. Check the Club website and magazine for updates.
Wed - May 12 - 2021 TBA	Members' Club Night - Please assemble from 6.30pm - we aim to start the meeting by 7.30pm. Check the Club website and magazine for updates.
Wed - Jun 9 - 2021 TBA	Members' Club Night - Please assemble from 6.30pm - we aim to start the meeting by 7.30pm. Check the Club website and magazine for updates.
Wed - Jul 14 - 2021 TBA	Members' Club Night - Please assemble from 6.30pm - we aim to start the meeting by 7.30pm. Check the Club website and magazine for updates.
Wed - Aug 11 - 2021 TBA	Members' Club Night - Please assemble from 6.30pm - we aim to start the meeting by 7.30pm. Check the Club website and magazine for updates.
Wed - Sep 8 - 2021 TBA	Members' Club Night - AGM - September Club Night and Annual General Meeting. [Download Notice of AGM Meeting and Proxy Voting Form]
Wed - Oct 13 - 2021 TBA	Members' Club Night - Please assemble from 6.30pm - we aim to start the meeting by 7.30pm. Check the Club website and magazine for updates.
Wed - Nov 10 - 2021 TBA	Members' Club Night - Please assemble from 6.30pm - we aim to start the meeting by 7.30pm. Check the Club website and magazine for updates.



Competition Events

TBA

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Set of 4 Rial 14x6 inch 4x98 PCD mags with 195/60 tyres, suit Alfetta/GTV. Sell for price shown or will swap for 4x98 Campagnolo wheels from plastic bumper Alfetta/GTV. | \$400 | Contact: Matt, 0421 704 429, mattdolans75@gmail.com (Expires: Dec 5)

1999 GTV Twin Spark

Zoe Metallic Yellow. Drives beautifully with great power. External in great condition. Roof canvas in great condition. Comes with original wheels. Wheels on car at present are in perfect condition. Work needed: power steering, new spark plugs. Roof goes up and down but can be unreliable at times. | \$4,000 | Contact: Catherine, 0466443057, catherinelouisemaria@gmail.com (Expires: Feb 2)

Alfa Memorabilia

Alfa Romeo dealer sign and bonnet from Alfa 155 super tourer raced in Australia by Steven Richards. Needs a new home - ideal for the workshop or garage. | \$600 | Contact: Anthony, 0488635337, anthonyopoulos@bigpond.com (Expires: Jan 27)

Alfa Romeo 147

5 door manual. Lived in a garage all its life. Full service history by Alfa Romeo Specialists only (Rick Damelian, Humphrey Motors, Automotion) + books / receipts / 2 keys. I am the second owner: New Varta battery + NGK platinum plugs. Currently registered, but will be sold as is without Safety Certificate. To pass a Safety Certificate and be re-registered will need new front right indicator and troubleshoot airbag light always on. Tinted windows. Air con cold. Drives beautifully, but I have a new car now. | \$1,900 | Contact: James, 0431424981, jamesrdun@gmail.com (Expires: Jan 18)

159 JTS

2006 manual in good cosmetic condition but needs some mechanical work to obtain Safety Certificate. Needs 4 new tires and a new radiator. Low klms for 2006 model - 145,000 km. Sony Media console installed which includes Apple Car Play and Android Auto. Looks great! Sad to see her go. | \$2,000 ONO | Contact: Ben, 0403631588, benjamin6keating@gmail.com (Expires: Dec 24)

Alfa Sprint Trophy

1979 model Unfinished project car in advanced stage. Painted. All new engine parts supplied for assembly. New hood lining. Call for info and photos. Many spares available. | \$6,500 | Contact: Thomas, 0407628009, tjhicky@bigpond.com (Expires: Dec 12)

WANTED

Alfetta GTV 2.0

1978 Door Handle

Driver's door handle. The plastic housing at the top around the bolt has broken, not the lever. It is the chrome door handle, not the black one. | \$Negotiable | Contact: Lois, 0439536199, cavtrav40@gmail.com (Expires: Jan 20)

Fuel Tank Alfetta GTV 1.8/2.0

Looking for a replacement fuel tank suitable for an Alfetta. | \$Negotiable | Contact: Mike, 0419444775, (Expires: Jan 18)

159 V6 Manual

After a 159 V6 Manual. Let me know what you have. Located Brisbane but will consider the right car if abroad. | \$Negotiable | Contact: Thomas, 0431386243, tcran4@gmail.com (Expires: Jan 2)

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I have changed of how I report memberships figures to give a better picture of the strength of the club membership.

The club as a total membership of 228. This includes Ordinary, Life, Honorary, Corporate and Associates.

We have another 3 new memberships this month.

Welcome to

- Michael Wilson and Robyn Wise with their 2002 Black 2.0ltr Spider
- Stephen Price and Yuki with their 2019 Red Stelvio QV
- RicardVieira and Loretta Jordan-Vieira and their son Luca with their 2015 White Mito QV.

As you have probably read elsewhere. we held the AGM at the Yeronga Services Club with the return of all current committee. If you would like to get involved with the running of the club or volunteer for anything, speak to a Committee Member.

I mentioned last month, there was a thump coming from around the gearbox area when accelerating or decelerating. This proved to be the De Dion Bush. After being replaced, the difference was felt immediately making changing gears much smoother.

Just to stop me feeling happy with myself and the car, I blew a head gasket at Willowbank on the weekend. I think the car is just too old to keep it on the track, so I will probably retire it from sprints and keep it as a Sunday driver.

Ciao

Colin



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