



Buongiorno Alfisti

March 2020

Welcome to the first edition of *Notizie Alfisti*, a monthly news sheet that will include items of interest and a calendar of upcoming AROCA events, to keep members informed about club activities.

The Month ahead – a summary (details for these events can be found on the following pages):

March is a busy month! It kicks off with the Phillip Island Classic and winds up at Auto Italia Canberra having visited many iconic destinations in Victoria and NSW (Snowy Mountains) along the way!

- The weekend of 5th & 8th :- **Phillip Island Classic 'Festival of Motorsport'**. AROCA has been invited to participate in the 'Shannons Walk' Club Display.
- Wednesday 11th :- **Club Night** @ Bells Hotel, South Melbourne at 8pm.
- Friday 20th :- **New Members' Night** hosted by Brighton Alfa Romeo. Join us in welcoming new Alfisti.
- Sunday 22nd :- **All Marque Car Display** @ Pantry Fresh, Clayton South
The featuring Alfettas (coupes & sedans), 90s, 75s & il Mostro (SZ & RZ).
- Wednesday 25th to Saturday 28th :- **Cuore Sportivo & Alpine Alfisti Autumn Tour**.
A four day Tour run jointly by AROCA Victoria and the Alpine Alfisti Association.

And finally;

- Sunday 29th :- **Auto Italia Canberra**
Australia's premiere Italian Car & Bike Show, hosted by the Italian Cars Association of ACT
Every Alfista should visit Auto Italia Canberra at least once!

Heads-up for April; The annual **Club Presentation Night** will be held on Wednesday April 1st. This Club Night event has been brought forward as Alfesta 2020 starts in Toowoomba on Thursday 9th.

There are several other important club related events later in the year, so please save these dates:

- Alfa Romeo 110 Year Celebration | Sunday June 28
- [Motorclassica](#) | Exhibition Buildings, Melbourne | Friday 9th – Sunday 11th October
- [Alfa Club 12 Hour Relay](#) | Winton Raceway | Saturday 17th – Sunday 18th October
- Spettacolo Dinner | Saturday 21st November (TBC)
- Spettacolo | Wesley College, Glen Waverley | Sunday 22nd November (TBC)
- [Targa Florio Australian Tribute](#) | route TBA | 26th – 29th November

Notes, photos or brief reports of recent events, and any items of general interest to members, will be gratefully accepted for publication in Notizie Alfisti. Contributions are preferred as text (e.g. Word) rather than PDF and should be sent to Peter via: newsletter@AlfaClubVIC.org.au
Submit contributions at least seven days prior to the end of the month for inclusion in the next edition.



--- : Event round up : ---

Sunday Morning Drive to the Yarra Ranges | February 23rd

28 stunning Alfas, and even more Alfisti, participated in this run that started at Nunawading Alfa Romeo, 432 Whitehorse Rd, Nunawading and concluded with lunch at the [OTREE Restaurant](#) in Lilydale under their magnificent 100-year-old Oak tree. A morning tea stop was also made en route at Gladysdale Bakehouse in Yarra Junction. Watch for the full report by Clyde & Barb in the next Cross & Serpent.



Photo: Barb Hay

Alfa Club Breakfast at [Tiamo Café](#), Carlton on Sunday 16th February, where hearty meals and cheerful conversations – no doubt involving many Alfa Romeos - were in abundance.



Photo: John Hanslow



Sunday Morning Drive to Corinella – Sunday 2nd February –

Club members met at the Pelican Café, Tooradin before embarking on an inspiring drive to Grantville where they visited the Bakery for more coffee & refreshments. From Grantville the group proceeded to Corinella and La Provincia Café for lunch.



Alfas outside the lunch spot at [La Provincia Café](#) (Photo: John Hanslow)

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Provide a report or photos on a recent Alfisti event that you attended and

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--- : Calendar : ---

New and updated events can be found on the AROCA web site: www.AlfaClubVIC.org.au

Saturday March 7 & Sunday March 8

Phillip Island Classic

Hosted by the [Victorian Historic Racing Register](http://www.victorianhistoricracingregister.com.au) with "upwards of 500 entries featuring cars from every state in Australia plus entries from New Zealand, UK and America". This is a popular event for Alfisti, whether competing, working as pit crew or just spectating. A large number of rare, beautiful and valuable cars, some are icons of motor racing in Australia, will be competing or on display.

AROCA has also been invited to participate in the 'Shannons Walk' club display.

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Wednesday March 11

Club Night

Club nights are held on the second Wednesday of each month (with the exception of January) at [Bells Hotel](#) in South Melbourne, starting at 8pm. The meetings are relatively informal, usually comprising committee member reports, event updates, news, buy/swap/sell, and a guest speaker. [\[Read more...\]](#)

Meals are available prior to the meeting in the hotel's bistro.

New members are encouraged to attend and visitors or prospective members are always welcome.

March 12 - 15

[Australian Grand Prix](#)

Friday March 20

New Members' Night



The Club will be hosting a New Members' Night at [Brighton Alfa Romeo](#) to welcome newcomers to the club and to provide information about the club to newer members who have joined during the last year.

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Sunday March 22

All Marque Car Display



An **All Marque Car Display** featuring Alfetta sedans & coupes, Alfa 90s Alfa 75s, SZ Coupes and RZ Spiders, will be held at [Pantry Fresh](#) in Clayton South. All members are invited to attend. [\[Read more...\]](#)

March 25 – 28

Cuore Sportivo & Alpine Alfisti Autumn Tour



2019 Alfisti Autumn Tour in Swifts Creek Photo: Peter & Dolly Seery

Registration for the 2020 joint **AROCA Victoria Cuore Sportivo & Alpine Alfisti Autumn Tour** has now closed. Over 50 Alfisti and 30 Alfas will be participating in this Alfisti Tour. [\[Read more...\]](#)



Sunday March 29

Auto Italia Canberra



[AUTO ITALIA CANBERRA](#) is an annual showcase of Italian automotive design. Hundreds of exceptional Italian cars, motorbikes and scooters gather each year in the Nation's Capital, in celebration of Italian motoring history and the ongoing, cultural influence it has on the international landscape. [\[Read more...\]](#)

Wednesday April 1

Club Presentation Night



Club Night and annual awards night for presentation of the Club's trophies. [\[Read more...\]](#)

[Veneto Club](#), 191 Bulleen Rd, Bulleen, commencing at 8.00 pm.

Finger food and drinks will be available from 7.00 pm

(Note: As Alfesta 2020 commences in Toowoomba on the 9th April, Presentation Night has been brought forward.)



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Friday April 17

Twin Spark Technical Night

A technical night focused on the Twin Spark engines (147, 156 and 916 GTV & Spider) hosted at [Maranello Pur Sang Motors](#).

There will be modern cars on display from the 932 series including Twin Spark cars and also a representation of the Alfa 75 / Alfetta based car. This is a great opportunity to get servicing advice, discuss potential purchases or improvements to your own vehicle. [\[Read more...\]](#)

Friday April 24

Detailing Technical Night

Detailing Workshop at [Advanced Detail](#) in Mordialloc.

Our host Damien, a professional detailer of many years, will go through every aspect of preparation of your car to Show 'n Shine standard. [\[Read more...\]](#)

Sunday April 26

Sunday Morning Drive to the Peninsula

Come and enjoy the Sunday drive to the Mornington Peninsula where members can enjoy the produce of the region with a fantastic lunch at a local winery and meet up with local members from the Peninsula Chapter. [\[Read more...\]](#)





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