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## Change of Command

After many years of service to the club, President Gary Schommer has decided to step down from his leadership position. Webmaster and long-time member Steve Wirtz volunteered to replace him and was elected by acclamation at the recent annual banquet and business meeting held March 18 at the Fox and Hounds. Gary intends to stay active in club activities.

Steve has been a member since 2000. He built and maintains the club's website and has been active in club events. He lives in West Bend. 



Gary congratulates Steve Wirtz as he takes the reins as president.



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## Save This Alfa

Brandon, Wisconsin, resident Mark Ramsey came across this 1984 Spider Veloce a couple of weeks ago and contacted the club for information. He came across it while house hunting in the area west of Fond du Lac. It has been stored for some years and apparently the owner would like to move it on. His initial asking price was \$3,000.

Mark felt the Spider might be worth reviving as it appeared to be relatively rust free under its coat of dirt. After a second visit he decided to pass on the purchase. According to Mark the coolant was frozen solid and the water pump would not turn. When hooked to a battery, the lights came on but the engine would not turn over.

There's not too much more information available, so this could be either a nice project or a money pit. Want to take a chance? Contact Mark at [mramsey5453@gmail.com](mailto:mramsey5453@gmail.com). 🍀



## 2017 Local, Regional, and International Events Calendar

Anything missing? Send dates for events we've missed and we'll include them in the next calendar. email: [rabhalter@att.net](mailto:rabhalter@att.net)

April 6-9	Alfa Romeo Giulia Launch Event, Schmolz Fiat Alfa, Maplewood, MN
<b>May 6-7</b>	<b>AROC-WI Das Kurze Klausenrennen, New Glarus, Wisconsin</b>
May 13	John Ehle's Mother May 1? driving event. Email <a href="mailto:Johnehle@comcast.net">Johnehle@comcast.net</a>
May 15	<a href="#">Lotus Corps Track Day</a> at Blackhawk Farms
May 19-21	Spring Vintage Weekend, <a href="#">Road America</a>
June 2-3	<a href="#">Fuelfed Motogearo 250</a> , New Glarus to Prairie du Chien, WI
June 15-18	WeatherTech® Chicago Region SCCA June Sprints®, <a href="#">Road America</a>
<b>June 21</b>	<b>The Heinrichs' Sportscar Solstice Gathering</b> , Lift, Inc., Glendale
June 22-25	Verizon IndyCar Series KOHLER Grand Prix, Pirelli World Challenge, <a href="#">Road America</a>
July 7-8	<a href="#">Millers at Milwaukee</a> , Vintage Indy Cars, State Fair Park, West Allis
<b>July 13-16</b>	<b>ARCC &amp; AROC Combined Convention , Montreal, QC, Canada</b>
July 19-23	Fiat Club of America Fiat FreakOut, Milwaukee <a href="https://www.fiatclubamerica.com/FFO2017/">https://www.fiatclubamerica.com/FFO2017/</a>
July 20-23	WeatherTech® International Challenge with Brian Redman presented by HAWK, <a href="#">Road America</a>
July 28-30	<a href="#">Concours d'Elegance of America</a> , Plymouth, Michigan
August 4-6	IMSA/Continental Tire Road Race Showcase, <a href="#">Road America</a>
August 5	Show and Glow by the Lake, Veterans Park, Milwaukee
August 6	Milwaukee Concours d'Elegance, Veterans Park, Milwaukee
<b>August 13</b>	<b>AROC-WI, Italian Car and Motorcycle Show</b>
August 19	<a href="#">Concorso Italiano</a> , Black Horse Golf Course, Seaside, California
August 20	<a href="#">Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance</a> , Carmel, California
August 25-27	Road America 180 Fired up by Johnsonville XFINITY Series, <a href="#">Road America</a>
September 2-13, 17-28	Car Guy Tour(s) Italia, <a href="http://www.carguytour.com/">http://www.carguytour.com/</a>
September 23(T)	<b>AROC-WI and FCA visit to John Spulde's "Man Cave,"</b> details TBD
September 8-10	Third Annual Ephraim Hill Climb, Tour, and Concours, Ephraim, Wisconsin
September 15-17	VSCDA Elkhart Lake Vintage Festival, <a href="#">Road America</a>
March 9-11, 2018	<a href="#">Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance</a> , Amelia Island, Florida

## Upcoming Events

### New Glarus Event Fast Approaching

If you are a club member or previous participant at the AROC-WI Das Kurze Klausenrennen, you should have received your invitation for the 2017 edition, to be held Friday and Saturday, May 5 and 6. If you feel you've been overlooked, contact registrar Jim Fuchs at 414-333-8808 or [jimfuchs447@ymail.com](mailto:jimfuchs447@ymail.com).

To be eligible to run the .7 mile course your entry must be street stock and be either a four, eight, or straight-six Alfa, a pre WWII car. Other entries are at the discretion of the organizers. Make your plans now as space at the Chalet Landhaus is limited.

### John Ehle's Mother May I? Spring Drive

This annual spring tour is scheduled for Saturday, May 13. Organized by member John Ehle, this low-key Mother's Day weekend event is open to all vehicles, although vintage sports cars are preferred—get your car fix in Saturday and celebrate Mother's Day on Sunday! No fee is involved and participants pay for their own lunch and dinner. The tour starts at 9 a.m. in Beloit and heads north-northwest to Mt. Horeb for a lunch stop. After visiting Governor Dodge State Park, the tour heads east and ends with an early dinner in Stoughton. John will be emailing more details. Email [Johnehle@comcast.net](mailto:Johnehle@comcast.net) to be added to his mailing list.

### Minneapolis Giulia Launch Event

Members living in driving distance of Minneapolis might be interested in the Giulia launch event to be held April 6-9, at Schmelz Alfa Romeo in Maplewood, Minnesota. Take a test drive and satisfy your curiosity.

### Two-Seaters Take Off

The Two-Seater Sports Car Group's first drive of 2017 is scheduled for Sunday, April 16. Cars will depart at 2 p.m. for the Mobil station at the corner of Hwy 14 and Pleasant View, Middleton, Wisconsin. To join them email [choonlu29@gmail.com](mailto:choonlu29@gmail.com). Many more events are planned for the season.

### Lotus Corps Track Day

The Lotus Corps invites us all to their track day, to be held at Blackhawk Farms Raceway Monday, May 15. Further information and registration can be found [here](#) on their website. 🍀

## Alfa News Notes and Miscellanea

### RIP Hemmings Sports and Exotics

In mid-March subscribers were notified that *Hemmings Sports & Exotic Car* magazine had ceased production after 12 years of publication. The monthly provided hours of information and entertainment to its readers. The editorial coverage was biased toward mid-priced vintage European and Japanese sports and sporty cars. It frequently carried features on Alfa Romeo and Fiat cars and events. Features on racing "back in the day" and owners' experiences were its stock in trade. Unfortunately, heavy competition from digital media caused its demise.

Subscribers are to receive the balance of their subscriptions with issues of sister magazine *Hemmings Classic Car*, a fine magazine, I'm sure, but with its concentration on American classics, unlikely to satisfy the faithful *Sports & Exotic* reader.

### One-off Alfa Romeo Aerodynamic Coupe to Appear at Concours d' Elegance of America



This 1932 8C2300 with bodywork by Viotti will appear as part of a special exhibition of five aerodynamic coupes from the collection of Deborah and Arturo Keller. The AROC visited the collection in 2013 as a part of the Sonoma National Convention. The Concours d' Elegance of America will be held July 28-30 at the Inn at St. Johns in Plymouth, Michigan.

### Alfa Sells 350 Cars in China in 33 Seconds

It took longer for new partners Alfa Romeo and online retailer Alibaba to announce their partnership than it did for them to sell 350 special-edition Giulia Milanos to their eager Chinese audience. The China-only models were priced at \$63,000. Alibaba subsidiary Tmall teamed with Alfa Romeo China to sell the cars online. On March 21, they went live on the net. It took a little over 30 seconds to sell the initial allotment of the 350 cars destined for the Chinese market,



according to [Corrierecomunicazioni.it](http://Corrierecomunicazioni.it) and other outlets. In addition, 60 Giulia Quadrifoglios, selling for \$148,000 each, were sold.

Maserati and 30 other automakers have signed on with Tmall since its inception in 2016. According to [LaStampa.it](http://LaStampa.it), when Maserati went live last year they sold 100 Levante SUVs in 18 seconds. The platform is designed to be more than just a sales outlet. Marketers can use it to build brand awareness and establish customer relationships, according to Jet Jing, Alibaba vice-president.

LaStampa reports that bypassing the traditional marketing relationships is a growing trend, especially in China where the online market for luxury goods is already well established. Alfa indicated they intend to add additional models from their range to their Tmall marketplace. They intend to support the sales using the existing network of 45 Chinese Maserati dealerships.

### FCA and VW Merger? Maybe, Maybe Not

Stefano Rebaudo, writing in [Automotivenews.com](http://Automotivenews.com) on March 21, reports on the game of cat-and-mouse being played out between FCA CEO Sergio Marchionne and Matthias Mueller of Volkswagen. Over the past month both entities initially indicated a lack of interest in discussing a merger, then made statements somewhat more favorable to having the discussion. The CEO's latest statements would seem to indicate that each is waiting for the other to make the first move. Whether either side will act remains to be seen.

### Court Rules Alfa Museum Must Remain in Arese

As reported in [IlGiorno.it](http://IlGiorno.it) the Regional court has ruled that the entire assets of the former Alfa Romeo Museum in Arese must remain there indefinitely. In 2011, when FCA closed the original museum facility indefinitely "for renovation," there were some well-founded concerns raised by the city fathers of Arese and the Office of Cultural Heritage that the carmaker would break up the collection, selling portions off and moving parts of it to Turin or elsewhere. The locals, with the support and encouragement of the Alfa Club Milano, brought suit to stop any such divestiture. The local court declared the museum's contents part of the unique cultural heritage of the region and forbade any action that would break it up.

The issue has been in the courts ever since, and the debut of the new museum in June of 2015 did not mark the end of the dispute. FCA continued to press their case on appeal, arguing that the assets contained redundancies and that the collection would not suffer from thinning the herd, so to speak. On March 23, the appeals court ruled in favor of the plaintiffs, stating that the entire collection of 253 autos, the engines, the old buildings and office furniture, even the giant script Alfa Romeo sign must stay as-is. FCA did not have any immediate comments on the decision.

### Big Alfa SUV Next?



[Carscoops.com](http://Carscoops.com) and other outlets are predicting that the next move for the rejuvenated Alfa brand will be a seven-passenger SUV. The projection is based on the popularity of the big three-row trucklets in the U.S. The vehicle would be positioned somewhere just below the similarly sized Maserati and would arguably be more impactful than the proposed flagship Alfetta luxury vehicle. While true believers may be yearning for a new coupe or roadster, it's projected that an SUV would sell in the volumes that Alfa needs.

### Alfa Back in Formula 1

Well, kinda. [Autosprint.it](http://Autosprint.it) pointed out a significant addition to Australian GP winner Sebastian Vettel's uniform. His and teammate Kimi Raikkonen's racing suit now sport bright green Quadrifoglios. Autosprint is sure that the symbol, synonymous with Alfa's past racing successes, brought Vettel some extra luck to



go along with his obvious talent at the wheel of the winning Ferrari SF70H.



## An Alfa Takes the Top Award at Amelia Island

By Bob Abhalter



An Alfa Romeo took top honors at the 2017 Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance. The 1939 8C 2900B Lungo Spider from the collection of A. Dano Davis of Jacksonville, Florida, was awarded Best in Show Concours de Sport. Best in Show Concours d'Elegance went to the 1935 Duesenberg SJ-582 Torpedo Phaeton owned by Terence Adderly, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan.

The handsome black Touring-bodied spider was formerly part of the Sam and Emily Mann collection. It was sold at auction last August at Monterey by RM Sotheby's for a cool \$19.8 million. The car has a fascinating and complicated history which includes being raced in South America, the loss of its original body, having the frame shortened and a Corvette V-8 installed, and subsequently being reunited with its original coachwork and restored. It was exciting to see it on the show field. The 8C was also awarded the FCA Trophy as the most elegant FCA car on the field.

There were several other Alfas entered in the Concours d'Elegance and present at the Cars & Coffee event held in concert with the main event. The show was scheduled for Sunday, March 12, but the threat of bad weather caused the organizers to move the event up to Saturday. The organizers did a splendid job handling the change, Saturday's weather was beautiful, and the crowds were as large as ever.

The schedule compression was not without consequence, however. Saturday was a very busy day, with the cars and coffee event, the auction, various seminars, and the concours all held concurrently. The Cars & Coffee at the Concours was shifted to a fairway adjacent to the Motor Xpo vendors' area and may have been smaller than previous years. The entrants

did, however, have the advantage of prime parking for the main Concours event.

The guest of honor this year was U.S. racing great Al Unser Sr., and the show field included a significant assemblage of cars he had driven. His racers were one of 41 classes of cars shown. The 300 cars on the field, some never seen before, were almost too many to see in a single day. In the course of searching for the Alfas in the show, I found some non-Alfa favorites, including a gorgeous assemblage of French custom coachwork cars; a clutch of Chrysler and Desoto Airflows; a number of fifties and early sixties road-going Ferraris; and a grouping of Jaguar D-types that included two survivors from the LeMans 24-hour race and the D-Type tended by Tom Heinrich's brother Rich.



Notable Alfas were sprinkled throughout the field. In the pre-war racing class I found a 1930 1750 Gran Sport Testa Fissa monoposto racer. It was taking its first bows in public after 84 years in seclusion. The running chassis was originally purchased by Englishman George Easton. After its completion in Milan, it was driven across Europe bodiless, the driver seated on a cut-down kitchen chair, finally making its way to England where it was bodied by a coachbuilder to Easton's design. After racing successes at Brooklands, it was rebodied as a tourer and subsequently rediscovered by an American collector who discarded the touring body. The present owners, Keith Duly and Susan Castle of Bethlehem, Connecticut, purchased the car in 2008. They undertook the mechanical restoration and had the original body replicated. Typically enough, the work was finished just prior to the concours. The car took the Judge John North trophy for best new coachwork or recreation as well as a class award.

John Ridding Lee of Dallas, Texas, entered his Touring-bodied 1933 8C2300. The car, restored by its owner in 2000, looked impressive. It was hard to be-





lieve that the car weighed 2-1/2 tons, as stated on the placard—I would have thought it weighed about half that—but one could certainly believe it was built for speed.



This beautiful blue 1949 6C2500 SS Pinninfarina Cabriolet from the Schigiel Collection, Miami Beach, Florida, took home The Gil Nickel/Far Niente Award “To the entrant best emulating the spirit of Gil Nickel.”



Robert Pass showed his 1959 2000 Touring-bodied Spider. The stunning red car has had only two owners from new and presented very well in the field of

sports and GT cars of the era.



The 1965 GTA of Thomas E. Stegman was a fine example of the breed. It took home the Amelia award for race cars 1961-1966.

Over in the cars and coffee lot, the Alfas were few but relatively easy to find. They included a shiny black Giulietta Spider, a Giulietta Sprint Veloce, a Giulia Super, a track-equipped 1750 GTV, a Duetto, and a later Spider.

Alfa Romeo sponsored a large corporate display that included examples of the 4C and the Giulia. A Tipo 33 and a 6C3000 CM provided historical context and free Espresso and Biscotti kept the faithful happy. All things considered, it was a wonderful day to be at a car show. (What day isn't?) The weather was perfect and the cars were gorgeous. And for once, the weathermen got it right. On Sunday, the clouds moved in, the temperature dropped, and the sky spit rain on and off. Credit the organizers for being nimble and thinking outside the box. 🍀





## Alfas at Auction – March

### *Amelia Island*

By Bob Abhalter

In March, the major U.S. collector car event is the Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance. As with Pebble Beach in August, the concours has attracted a variety of complementary events in the weeks preceding and following. The five auctions held during the week sold at least \$120 million worth of automobiles.

This year, your reporter had the opportunity to be present at two of the auctions—RM Sotheby's, the official auction of the concours, and the Gooding and Company Auction. Both companies run first-class operations but are different in flavor and atmosphere.

The Gooding Auction was held in a group of large soft-sided, rigid-frame buildings (to call them tents is to understate their nature) erected for the purpose at the Racquet Park of the Omni Amelia Island Plantation. Bidders and the general public are welcome to attend the event. The cars are available for preview prior to the auction and the large auditorium has ample space for bidders and their guests. There is a good deal of theatre associated with the auction itself, hosted by President David Gooding and his ever-upbeat auctioneer Charlie Ross.



The March 10 Gooding event listed three Alfas among the 87 cars consigned. Two were 8Cs – one coupe and one spider. The third was a Sprint Speciale.

The **1961 Giulietta Sprint Speciale**, AR00319, was treated to a bare-metal restoration in the 1980s, when it was repainted the original gardenia white. The blue leather seats were nicely patinated and the car appeared to be in overall good order. It bore the stickers from its outing in the Colorado Grand five-day, 1000-



mile rally—a nice touch, I thought, until I read that the car had competed in 1997 and has been little-used since. The consignor purchased it from the previous owner in 2016. The car moved on for a market-correct \$126,500.

The **2008 8C Competizione** and **2009 8C Spider** would have made good bookends for an Alfa enthusiast's collection. Both were virtually showroom-fresh. The coupe showed 2,900 miles at the hands of its three owners while the spider clocked only 950 miles through two owners. Both claimed consistent and documented service, indicating that these 8Cs have probably spent more time in the service bay than on the road. The coupe was finished in Rosso Alfa with tan leather, the spider in red metallic with red leather. With only 500 each of these produced and only 84 and 35, respectively, done to U.S. specifications, these cars are destined (doomed) to spend their lives travelling from show to show, collection to collection, albeit almost always in enclosed trailers. The coupe sold for \$330,000, the spider for \$390,500.



RM Sotheby's, the official auction of the Concours d'Elegance, is held at the Ritz Carlton. The preview was held on the grounds, while the auction itself was

staged in the grand ballroom. Due to the constraints of the auction's setting, only bidders, their guests, consignors, and qualified media were admitted to the auction; there was no general admission. The Thursday and Friday preview days, however, were free for all. The auction itself was held in a breezy, efficient style. Auctioneer Maarten ten Holder, Sotheby's Global Managing Director of the Luxury and Lifestyle Division, is skilled at working the room for maximum effect, bantering with the ring men and bidders and announcing bids in several languages. It's exciting and somewhat disorienting to hear bid increases registered at \$100,000 dollar intervals. Adequate attention is given to each successive bid until it is obvious that there is no more to be had. No car is sold before its time.



This year's RM Sotheby's auction was actually two auctions in one. In addition to the main auction held Saturday, March 11, Friday evening, March 10, saw the Orin Smith collection of 63 autos offered, all at no reserve. The late Mr. Smith was a noted collector and concours entrant with an affinity for Rolls Royce and Bentley automobiles. His automotive passions did not stop there, however, and there were many desirable and exciting cars in his collection including two Alfas; a Fiat 8V; a Lancia Aurelia PF200C Spider—one of seven; and a 1936 Lancia Astura Cabriolet—one of six.

The first Smith Alfa to cross the block was a yellow and black **1956 1900C SS Coupe**, s/n AR 1900C 10145. The "bumble bee" was brought to the U.S. in 1969 and restored in 1989. It obtained its distinctive livery at that time, becoming well-known in collector circles. During the '90s, the coupe was prepared for touring, receiving a 2-liter engine transplant and a host of tweaks to enhance performance and reliability. The 1900 subsequently participated in the Tour



Auto and California Mille rally-tours. An examination showed signs the car had been well used. The finish was good, with a few nicks and cracks, and the windshield was scratched, but overall the car presented well. It sold for \$176,000.



The other RM Sotheby's Friday offering was a **1950 6C 2500 SS Coupe**, chassis 915.758, in a dark metallic green with tan leather upholstery. This Touring-bodied coupe was impressive with its almost perfect finish, excellent badging and trim, and painted wire wheels. The beautiful interior was a match for the exterior. Following its restoration, the car took a class award in 2012 at Pebble Beach and first-in-class awards at the Palo Alto and Hillsborough concours. Mr. Smith then acquired the car in 2013. It sold for a justifiable \$880,000.

RM Sotheby's Saturday auction also offered two Alfas, the first a highly desirable Zagato-bodied **1955 1900C SS Coupe**, chassis AR 1900C 01915, in metallic silver with the original and nicely worn-in green leather upholstery. The car was one of a group of 10 consigned by a Chicago collector. This SSZ was completely original, aside from a respray in the original color—a lightly metallic silver with a subtle green





tone. The two-time (1955-56) Mille Miglia entrant had a known early history with other race entries to its credit. In 1962 it was garaged after a minor accident and didn't resurface until 2001, almost 40 years later. The consignor purchased the car in 2013 and the repaint and reconditioning were finished in 2014. The paint itself was perfect, while the rest of the car was left virtually untouched. There was light tarnish on the window frames, worn carpeting, and a peeling dash, but none of these elements were at all off-putting; they just added to the Zagato's appeal. The car sold for \$1,100,000 after some spirited bidding.



The **1972 Montreal** offered near the end of the auction was also presumably an original car. First registered in France, the car came to the States in 2002 and passed through several enthusiast owners, accumulating roughly 80,000 km (50,000 mi) in the process. The gold paint and fabric interior were assumed to be original and showed the wear and tear of regular use. The Turbinas had some curb rash and the tires were off-brand economy items. The auction description claimed some recent mechanical upkeep to the important systems. This somewhat needy Monty sold for \$72,600.



Elsewhere on the island, Motostalgia's March 11 auction offered one Alfa, a **2000 GTAm tribute**. Built on the bones of a 1969 GTV, this track-day special had all the goodies—a built twin-spark motor, Alfaholics suspension and brakes, Momo floor plates, a full roll cage and more. It looked sharp in the pictures, with its red livery set off by a bright green nose. The auction description described it as being built for play rather than show and suggested eligibility for vintage racing. I'm not sure what rules it would run under, but it will probably provide some great fun for the new owner. It sold for \$42,350.



The Bonhams March 9 auction offered four Alfas. The first was a **1961 Giulietta SS**, s/n AR177123. The red '90s-era German restoration was missing its bumpers and had more modern seats with four-point harnesses suitable for "long distance touring," according to the auction description. It sold for \$84,700.

The next lot was a **1962 Giulia Spider** "normale." The Giulia benefitted from a three-year no-expense-spared restoration by a known California Alfa specialist. Said to cost in excess of \$65,000, the restored

car was intended to be his personal vehicle. The colors were changed from the original sky blue to black with red leather. The California black-plate car was said to have been sold to the vendor shortly following its restoration. It still presents very well and except for some minor issues appears to be a fairly faithful restoration. The spider sold for a not unreasonable \$80,300.



The Bonhams-offered **1957 1900C Super Sprint Coupe**, s/n AR 1900C 10270, was a driving event car, through and through. Restored in the early '90s, the two-tone red coupe with silver top was fitted with Zagato-style racing seats, a roll cage, and a later 2-liter cast-iron engine. The bumpers were removed but are included with the car. It is said to have competed in the 1992 Mille Miglia retrospective.

Estimated to sell at \$200,000-\$250,000, the high bid did not meet reserve.

A **1967 Duetto Spider** in the typical Alfa red with black upholstery sold for a very reasonable \$36,000. No special claims were made for the car and no extensive history was offered. It seemed nicely restored to driver standards and would reside happily in many an enthusiast's garage. 🍀



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## **FINDING PARTS FOR YOUR ALFA**

**By Bob Ludwigson**

Like many of you, I needed repair and rebuilding parts for my 1962 Giulietta. Finding places for these items is difficult. After all, you cannot go down to your local AutoZone and pick stuff like that up. Over the years I have located sources of supply, and it occurred to me that maybe you too could use some help, especially if you are new to the club.

The places listed below are the result of my experiences. I have bought items from all of them, except for those that do not sell Giulietta parts. I know the list is not complete. If you know of other suppliers, please send me an e-mail and I will include them in the list.

### **List of Alfa Parts Suppliers**

**Alfaholics**     [www.alfaholics.com](http://www.alfaholics.com)

Unit 12 Hither Green Ind. Estate  
Clivedon, North Somerset BS21 6XU  
England  
Phone: 01144-1275-349-449

Models covered: 750/101 Giulietta, 105/115 Spider, GTV, 116/162 Alfetta GTV6. Largest selection is for the 105/115 GTV and Spider

**Alfa Stop**     [www.alfastop.co.uk](http://www.alfastop.co.uk)

PO Box 50  
Belper, Derbyshire DE56 1AS  
England  
Phone: 01144-177-382-2000

Models covered: 750/101 Giulietta, Giulia, 105 GTV, 2000/2600  
Largest selection for the Giulietta/Giulia models including hard to find items. Shop is run by solely by Tony Stevens, so be patient if you e-mail. I usually call.

**Centerline International** [www.centerlinealfa.com](http://www.centerlinealfa.com)

1220 Commerce St.  
Lafayette CO 80026  
Phone: 888-750-2532

Models covered: 750/101 Giulietta, 105/115 Duetto, GTV, Super, Alfetta-GTV6-Milano, 164, 4C coupe-spider

Large selection for all areas of the car, oil fuel filters.

**MrFiat**     [www.mrfiat.com](http://www.mrfiat.com)

Atlanta, GA  
Phone: 678-637-5103

Models covered: 750/101 Giulietta-Giulia, 1900,105/115 GTV-Spider, 2000/2600

Yes the name says Fiat, but there are lots of Alfa parts available. Allow two weeks for many parts to come from Italy.

**Re-Originals** [www.reoriginals.com](http://www.reoriginals.com)

3034 FM 1988E  
Goodrich TX 77339  
Phone: 832-632-9290

Models covered: 1900-750/101 Giulietta, 105 GTV, Milano, Montreal

Large selection of rubber parts, chrome trim, interior items, mostly sourced from the original supplier

**Vick Autosports**     [www.vickauto.com](http://www.vickauto.com)

5200 Vesta Farley Rd.  
Fort Worth TX 76119  
Phone: 800-466-3428

Models covered: 115 GTV-Spider,164, Alfetta-GTV6-Milano

Good selection of engine, brake, body and interior parts

**Wolf Steel Restorations**     [www.alfaparts.net](http://www.alfaparts.net)

1 Ballerina Rd.  
Frelighsburg QC J0J1C0  
Canada  
Phone: 450-298-5078

Models covered: 750/101 Giulietta,105/115 GTV-Spider,GTV6

Specializes in steel repair panels, I used their trunk floor panel and it fit.

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### For Sale

#### Parts

Weber 32/36 DGV carb, and air cleaner housing and intake manifold (restored and painted) for 1300cc normale (750-101), all in excellent working condition. Best offer. Jon Block, [\(248\) 505-0606](tel:2485050606) cell, or [jblock8586@wowway.com](mailto:jblock8586@wowway.com)

**2001 Alfa 156 V6 2.5**, 6-speed manual. Red with black leather interior. Car is in very good condition and can be driven right away.



Total mileage is about 150,000 miles. Water pump and all pulleys and belts replaced at 120,000 miles. Suspension, radiator and clutch replaced at 135,000 miles. Runs great! Extra sets of wheels with snow tires and performance tires.

The only problem with the car is a very slow leak in the power steering fluid and an occasional glitch in the immobilizer. The immobilizer reads the key code. It can go months without a problem. When it doesn't unlock, a few tries usually does it. Or there is a work around bypass procedure that will get you home. A \$50 part may fix it for good. The gear shift also doesn't easily return to center with the sideways spring. You have to move it a bit between second and third.

Car sounds great, feels great and is a real head turner. \$7,000 or best offer. Russ Whitford  
[veloce192@sbcglobal.net](mailto:veloce192@sbcglobal.net)



**Four Used Cromodora Wheels** for 72-74 Alfa Spider. Surface and finish would benefit from some reconditioning but otherwise ready for that rally! If desired, and strictly at my cost—no adder—I would be willing to get them E-Coated ready for paint refinishing. Make me an

offer!

Also, **Rear Bumper** for 1972-74 Spider. Make an offer.

James Huff, 514 Simon Drive, Hartford, WI 53027,  
[jphuff4@gmail.com](mailto:jphuff4@gmail.com)



#### **1987 Alfa Romeo Spider Quadrifoglio**

Luxury trim package. Silver on gray leather including factory hard top, custom wooden MOMO steering wheel & gear shift, new tires, nose bra, bikini cover & full cover. Garaged, no winters, rust free original. Fun ride. Pulls strongly & idles smoothly. 37,240 miles \$15,000 O.B.O. Rockford, IL  
[dek\\_cmk@yahoo.com](mailto:dek_cmk@yahoo.com)

#### **1985 Corvette**

Red/Red, 4+3, removable hard top. 51k miles and stored inside since new. All original. Body and interior in great shape. This car is move-in ready and is a nice ride. Blue Book value \$12,000.

Contact: Jim, 262-642-5068 or [jzyla@wi.rr.com](mailto:jzyla@wi.rr.com)



## For Sale

### 1986 Spider

Convertible= FUN!! 1986 Alfa Romeo Spider. Five speed manual transmission and electric windows, 96,000 mi. It was totally refurbished four years ago. Four-year-old canvas top. A small amount of money to pay for a really nice convertible. New starter in 2015 and about \$1,200 in repairs. Runs great! Fun fun fun. The paint is five years old and it is a purple-blue paint with a shift. It changes colors as it goes by. Asking \$5,500, Brodhead, WI. Contact: Tomasan Harnack [tnhc@charter.net](mailto:tnhc@charter.net), 608-295-0535



### 1965 Giulia Sprint

For parts -- body is very bad, 1600 engine is apart, transmission & differential are available, other parts as well.

**1967 Fiat Dino 206** -- car is in running condition.

**Books** (Alfa, Ferrari, etc)

Contact: Graziano Rossetto @ 414-351-2155

### Spider Parts

Member Paul Ristow is closing out his stash of parts from '75-'79 Spiders, including bumpers, trim, aftermarket and NOS replacement parts. Following is a partial list:

- \* Clutch hose, crank and trans. seals
- \* Throttle cable and throttle rod ends
- \* Distributor shield
- \* Fuel pump
- \* Trim parts for heater control
- \* Trunk release lever with key
- \* Aftermarket chromed pedals with logos
- \* Hood rubbers



Contact Paul at 414.807.3675 or [pristow44@yahoo.com](mailto:pristow44@yahoo.com)

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### Wanted

Good used windshield for a 1967-1969 Alfa Spider (roundtail). Must be from an early spider. Later windshields are different. Call Bob at 270-564-2821 or mail: [rabhalter@att.net](mailto:rabhalter@att.net)

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