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**Editorial Comments:** It's Dog Days in Florida but there are many things coming up!



Alfa Romeo Selection of the

Month: August 2019.

Car Name: 1953 Alfa Romeo 6C 3000 CM Superflow IV – More details to follow.



## Historic Alfa Prototype: 1953 Alfa Romeo 6C 3000 CM Superflow IV



Alfa Romeo entered three 6C 3000 CM coupes into the 1953 Mille Miglia, and while two retired with accident damage during the race, Juan Manuel Fangio and Giulio Sala brought their Alfa home to a second-place finish. Had Fangio not struck a roadside marker, damaging the suspension, it's possible that the Colli-built coupe would have finished first, but the Argentine driver redeemed himself later in the season, winning the first GP Supercortemaggiore in Merano behind the wheel of a 6C 3000 CM spider.

Following the 1954 season, Alfa Romeo took a step back from racing. To support its design partner, Pinin Farina, Alfa gave a 6C 3000 CM coupe, serial number 00128, to the Turin-based coachbuilder for experimentation. Over the next four years Pinin Farina would craft a series of styling studies on the chassis, beginning with [the Superflow](#), which debuted at the 1956 Turin Motor Show.



## Historic Alfa Prototype: 1953 Alfa Romeo 6C 3000 CM Superflow IV continued:

It was an unconventional design, one not likely to meet with acclaim from today's automotive designers. A prominent ridge ran down the hood and culminated in the Alfa shield grille, but this seemed an afterthought, and not a homogenous styling trait. The same could be said for the Superflow's massive rear fins, which now look almost comically exaggerated. The Plexiglas canopy undoubtedly gave the cabin an airy feel, but the transparent front fenders (crafted again from Plexiglas) simply looked... odd.

Later in 1956, in time for the Paris Auto Salon, the Superflow was replaced by the [Superflow II](#), which—while still outside-the-box bold—was a bit more refined. Gone was the odd hood bulge, replaced by a more conventional scoop/intake. Steel fenders replaced the earlier version's see-through fenders, though Plexiglas headlamp covers remained. The roof appeared to be solid in color, matching the rest of the car, and if there was bad news at all, it came at the rear. There, the previously exaggerated fins flared upward and outward, forming a pair of stylized wings.



## Historic Alfa Prototype: 1953 Alfa Romeo 6C 3000 CM Superflow IV continued:

It took Pinin Farina another three years to debut the [Superflow III](#) (also known as the Spider Super Sport), which appeared at the 1959 Geneva Motor Show. Gone were the exaggerated rear fins, along with the concept's roof, leaving the occupants to enjoy (or endure) the elements. A variation on the car's tail would appear on the 1966 Alfa Romeo Duetto Spider, and even the nose and front fender shape would carry over to the production car, to some degree. Of all the design exercises built from chassis 00128, the Superflow III was arguably the most influential, and perhaps the most production-ready.

The final variant, the Superflow IV (or Coupe Super Sport Speciale), appeared at the 1960 Geneva Motor Show and incorporated many of the key design motifs from versions past (though thankfully, the rear fins/wings were absent). The shape was contemporary, featuring a tapered tail, covered headlamps (along with front fenders even more indicative of those that appeared on the later Duetto Spider), and intakes—possibly to cool the inboard rear drum brakes—on the rear quarters. The roof, however, may have been the Superflow IV's most innovative design: The Plexiglas bubble returned, but this time the central section of the roof could be slid rearward, allowing occupants to enjoy both open motoring and weather protection, depending upon conditions.

Following the 1960 Geneva Motor Show, the Superflow IV was reportedly sold to a Colorado Alfa Romeo dealer, who used the Pinin Farina coupe for promotional purposes. Sometime later, it sold to noted German automobile collector Peter Kaus, who displayed the design study in his Rosso Bianco Museum until its closure in 2005, when the 200-car collection was liquidated

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p96L9sYQahl>

## **Historic Alfa Prototype: 1953 Alfa Romeo 6C 3000 CM Superflow IV continued:**

The coupe's next owner funded a comprehensive restoration, and the Superflow IV made its first appearance at the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance in 2013. There, it took first place in the Postwar Touring class, and collected The Vitesse – Elegance Trophy, leading some to believe it would also take Best in Show honors.

A postwar European car would not earn top honors at Pebble Beach that day, and Best in Show was ultimately awarded to a 1934 Packard 1108 Twelve Dietrich Convertible Victoria. In 2014, the Superflow IV appeared at Concorso d'Eleganza Villa d'Este and in 2017 at Salon Privé, where the coupe captured Best of Show honors.

Given its one-of-one status and importance to both Alfa Romeo and Pininfarina design history, Gooding & Company are predicting a selling price between \$6 million – \$8 million when the [1953 Alfa Romeo 6C 3000 CM Superflow IV](#) crosses the auction stage next month.

## Upcoming Events: Tour to Sarasota, Sep. 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>



Saturday at 9:30 AM we'll meet just off I175 at hwy 41 (Tamiami Trail). During the day a ride to Parrish train museum, a liquor distillery, out to backroads of East country (maybe even Myakka State Park), the local Ferrari clubhouse, and if enough time the Classic car store. That night we dine at a popular Italian restaurant and stay downtown Bradenton. Next morning after breakfast, tour Cadillac Sal's 1960's village in a warehouse with vintage cars parked on the street. Lunch on the Manatee River and then head home.

It is important we get a head count early in order to be able to make several reservations for a large group so mark these dates down on your calendar and contact Bob Scott with how many people in your group are attending!

Make reservations with Bob Scott , (817)313-2945 or [rlscott007@gmail.com](mailto:rlscott007@gmail.com). Need to know right away to make reservations.

Upcoming Events: Fort DeSoto Annual Picnic & Car Show Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> 11:00 till 3:00



*Save the Date: Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>*

For the *Florida Alfa Club*

2019-20 Season Opener at Ft DeSoto Beach!



The barbecue pits will be lit and the women will do the car judging!

**Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 11:00- 3:00**

Contact Harmon Heed and/or Jim Zitnick to RSVP [harmanheed@gmail.com](mailto:harmanheed@gmail.com) [jimzitneck@hotmail.com](mailto:jimzitneck@hotmail.com)



## Upcoming Events: Lake Mirror Car show Lakeland, Saturday Oct 19<sup>th</sup>



The club has attended this show several times and it is a great time. This year the organizers have sent out a call offering car clubs to give them prime locations at the show to allow the clubs to park their cars as a group. Generally this requires 10 cars or more.

In order to make this event more attractive to our Club members all over the state of Florida, we will hold an Italian Feast, Friday night before the show at the Hyatt Hotel. Featured will be a myriad of Italian wines, cheeses, meats, and assorted items for everyone provided by the club.

We will have a block of rooms at the Hyatt reserved as well. So sign up today, then enjoy a leisurely drive over on Friday, check into your room at the Hyatt, then join us for an Italian Feast that should make the other car clubs jealous at the hotel that evening. The next morning you will be fresh and only a few blocks away for the car show.

MIDFLORIDA Auto Show & Lake Mirror Concours is celebrating its 20th year. Join us on the streets of downtown Lakeland for this wonderful exhibit of more than 600 show vehicles surrounding the restored, 1920s art deco-inspired Lake Mirror Promenade. The 3-day event kicks off Friday, Oct 18, at 6pm with the Budweiser Hot Rod Rendezvous followed by the main event on Saturday, Oct 19, 10am-3pm and closing out the weekend on Sunday, Oct 20, with the Road Rally. Bring your family to enjoy a beautiful weekend filled with cars, food, music and more. Registration opens July 1 and is ONLY available online at [MIDFLORIDAAutoShow.com](http://MIDFLORIDAAutoShow.com).



## Upcoming Events: Lake Mirror Car show Lakeland continued:



This event is open to all Alfa Clubs in Florida including SW FL., Mid FL. Miami, and Jacksonville.

If you are interested in coming or volunteering to help with the “Feast” please contact me at [fmann1@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:fmann1@tampabay.rr.com) or by phone at 727-254-9723. More details of the event and contact information at the Hotel will be provided.



**Upcoming Events: Lake Mirror Car show Lakeland, Saturday Oct 19<sup>th</sup> continued**

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- Gallery Hosts welcome each guest and are focused on exceeding the **Show’s** expectations.
- Guests will also enjoy complimentary high-speed Wi-Fi Internet access throughout the hotel.

### **Food & Beverage:**

- Hyatt offers Complimentary Hot breakfast buffet every morning with Starbucks Coffee. Additionally Made-to-order Food & Beverage entrees are available 24/7. While staying here at the Hyatt in Lakeland please enjoy our premium selections of Beer & Wine and enjoy Hyatt’s new full liquor bar.

**\*\* Large outdoor heated pool – Fitness Center – Internet Room \*\***  
**!!Here is how to book your room!!!**

**Upcoming Events: Lake Mirror Car show Lakeland, Saturday Oct 19<sup>th</sup> continued**

1. Reservations may be made by calling toll free to the **Hyatt Reservations** center at **1-800-993-4751 or 888-492-8847** and then have them ask for **Mid-Florida Auto Show 2019 group** rate or they may book directly via our website, [www.hyattplacelakelandcenter.com](http://www.hyattplacelakelandcenter.com)
2. Once on the website pick you arrival and departure dates, then locate the **“Special Rates”** link, click on it, and then click the box named **“Group/Corporate #”** and place the group code **“G-LM19”**, then pick your arrival and departure dates and then **Mid-Florida Auto Show 2019** group rate of **\$139.00** rate will appear on the next page.

**Hyatt Place Lakeland, 525 West Orange Street, Lakeland, FL 33815**

**Upcoming Events: VIVA Alfa car show, Celebration, Fl. Dinner Friday and show on Saturday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>**



Always a highlight event of the year for any Alfa Club, the annual Viva Alfa car show is coming up again so do not miss it this year.

More details to follow so keep a close eye on the coming newsletters for sign up sheets and more details of what we have planned this year.

Upcoming Events: St. Pete Yacht club car show, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>

The poster features a central illustration of the St. Petersburg Yacht Club building with various classic vehicles (a black sports car, a purple vintage car, a motorcycle, and a boat) parked on the lawn. The text is arranged around the illustration, including the event title, date, time, and contact information.

**SPYC Vintage Motor Classic**  
SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 2019 | BEGINNING 8:00 am ~ AWARDS AT 3:00 pm  
*Rain or Shine!*

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**11 Central Ave, St. Petersburg, Florida | Contact Rick Brooks 727-458-9297 or RFBRX@AOL.com**

Another great local show in a great venue. This is for classic and vintage cars only so bring your older Giulia and leave the new one at home.

People showing their cars receive a lunch voucher good at several of the local restaurants right across the street. There are quite a few car classes so many people will receive trophies at this show.

## Upcoming Events: AROC at US Grand Prix, Austin, Tx, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>



Alfa Romeo will once again be featured at this years grand Prix Race in Austin TX at one of the best race courses in America. Make your reservations today and support Alfa Romeo as they continue their racing heritage.

For more details and to buy tickets use the linc provided below.

<http://www.circuitoftheamericas.com/f1>



**Upcoming Events: FAC Annual Christmas luncheon, Alfano's restaurant. Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>**



Join us for our Annual Holiday Luncheon at Alfano's Restaurant this year. This is an event everyone looks forward to each year. It is always great fun to see all our friends and club members at the Holidays, and Chef Frank always provides a great Holiday meal for everyone as well.

More details to follow, but let Polly Greene know you are coming soon. [pollyhgreene@yahoo.com](mailto:pollyhgreene@yahoo.com)



## Upcoming Events: Amelia Island Concours d' Elegance plus Cars & Coffee

[Event Information](#) [Visitors Guide](#) [Charity](#) [Sponsors](#) [News and Media Gallery](#)



### The Amelia Announces Cars & Coffee at the Concours 2020





## Upcoming Events: Amelia Island Concours d' Elegance plus Cars & Coffee



Entering your vehicle involves an application and a small registration fee. The Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance is now accepting applications for 2020. Visit <https://www.ameliaconcours.org/cars-coffee.aspx> for more details and updates.

**Upcoming Events: Amelia Island Concours d' Elegance plus Cars & Coffee**

*Join us for Alfa Romeos on the grass at  
2020 Amelia Island Concours Cars & Coffee!*



## **The Amelia Announces Cars & Coffee at the Concours 2020**

Jacksonville, FL - The Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance is proud to officially announce Cars & Coffee at the Concours 2020 presented by Heacock Classic. The 2020 event is scheduled for Saturday, March 7 from 9am to 1pm on the 1st, 10th and 18th fairways of The Golf Club of Amelia Island.

*"25 Alfas for 25 Years of Amelia"*

Manufacturers celebrate their heritage with designated car corrals and invite the public to enjoy an up-close look at their newest vehicles. AROC-USA and the North East Florida AROC will be there with an Alfa corral displaying 25 exceptional Alfas Romeos from a 1952 Disco Volante Fianchi Stretta to a 2019 Giulia Quadrifoglio NRING. This year the corral is limited to the 25 cars previously selected. However, when you arrive at the venue entrance ask to be parked next to or nearby the Alfa corral. The parking volunteers are as accommodating as possible.



Cars & Coffee at the Concours allows individuals with vintage, special interest and collectible vehicles to gather on the same show field used to display vehicles entered in the following day's prestigious Concours d'Elegance. For the past three years Automobile Magazine has used the venue to announce their Automobile All-Star Award winners. Enter your car, it may be selected as an All-Star or win another award given by the Amelia Concours Cars & Coffee. Remember, these cars are not concours.

With growth year after year, the event now enters over 450 vehicles and thousands of spectators. The limited spaces fill up fast so, if you want to show there next March register NOW! Registration is only \$35 and includes donuts and coffee. An application is attached. Complete the application, including Credit card information and send it in via email or post mail. The addresses are at the bottom of the form. When you are accepted you will be notified and only then will your card be debited.

Jerry Kelley, the president of the NEFLAROC is putting on a hosted dinner reception (no-host bar) Friday evening at the Fernandina Beach Ladies Club under the Spanish moss laden grand oaks. Whether you are showing a car at Cars & Coffee or not you are invited. Alfisti from all across our vast nation will be sharing dinner and stories there. Please RSVP Jerry at [jgkelley7flusa@comcast.net](mailto:jgkelley7flusa@comcast.net) so he can plan the catering.

Harmon Heed from the Florida Alfa Club has obtained a group rate at the Hyatt JAX (airport), 20-30 minutes away from the Amelia venue, for \$109 per night, Thursday/Friday, down from \$149. Book directly with the hotel, (904) 741-4184. Use promo group code G-ALFA. Book NOW, the rooms are limited and filling fast. Please let Harmon know, [harmonheed@gmail.com](mailto:harmonheed@gmail.com), when you have booked so he can request more rooms if needed.

## **Calendar of Events:**

### **August 2019 Events**

#### **NO FAC Meeting this month**

Sarasota Cars & Coffee, Sunset Motorsport, Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup> 8-10:00AM

Tampa Bay Café Racers Lunch – Café Ponte Clearwater Aug. 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> 11:30 AM

DuPont Cars & Coffee, St. Pete, Aug. 17<sup>th</sup> 7:00-9:00 AM

SRQ Caffeine & Gasoline Southgate Community Center – Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> 8:00-10:00 AM

### **September 2019 Events**

Tampa Bay Café Racers Lunch – Café Ponte Clearwater Sep. 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> 11:30 AM

Sarasota Cars & Coffee, Sunset Motorsport, Sep 7<sup>th</sup> 8-10:00AM

**FAC Business Meeting – Carrabba’s Grill Clearwater – Sep. 12<sup>th</sup> 6:30PM**

DuPont Cars & Coffee, St. Pete, Sep. 21<sup>st</sup> 7:00-9:00 AM

**Tour to Sarasota, Sep. 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> – More Details to Follow**

SRQ Caffeine & Gasoline Southgate Community Center – Sep. 28<sup>th</sup>, 8:00-10:00 AM

### **October 2019 Events**

Tampa Bay Café Racers Lunch – Café Ponte Clearwater Oct. 9<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> 11:30 AM

Sarasota Cars & Coffee, Sunset Motorsport, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> 8-10:00AM

**FAC Business Meeting – TBD – Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> 6:30PM**

**Fort DeSoto Annual Picnic & Car Show Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> 11:00 till 2:00 (Harmon Heed and Jim Zitnick)**

DuPont Cars & Coffee, St. Pete, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> 7:00-9:00 AM

Lake Mirror Car show Lakeland, Saturday Oct 19<sup>th</sup>

SRQ Caffeine & Gasoline Southgate Community Center – Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>, 8:00-10:00 AM

## **Calendar of Events: Continued**

### **November 2019 Events**

**VIVA Alfa car show, Celebration, Fl. Dinner Friday and show on Saturday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>**

St. Pete Yacht club car show, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>

AROC at US Grand Prix, Austin, Tx, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>

Tampa Bay Café Racers Lunch – Café Ponte Clearwater Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> 11:30 AM

Sarasota Cars & Coffee, Sunset Motorsport, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> 8-10:00AM

**FAC Business Meeting – TBD – Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> 6:30PM**

DuPont Cars & Coffee, St. Pete, Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> 7:00-9:00 AM

SRQ Caffeine & Gasoline Southgate Community Center – Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>, 8:00-10:00 AM

### **December 2019 Events**

Tampa Bay Café Racers Lunch – Café Ponte Clearwater Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> 11:30 AM

**FAC Annual Christmas luncheon, Alfano's restaurant. Dec. 7th**

Sarasota Cars & Coffee, Sunset Motorsport, Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> 8-10:00AM

**No Business Meeting this Month**

DuPont Cars & Coffee, St. Pete, Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> 7:00-9:00 AM

SRQ Caffeine & Gasoline Southgate Community Center – Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>, 8:00-10:00 AM

## Cars for Sale:



**Note: Sell your vintage Alfa here. Its free to FAC members. Just send us photos and a brief description of your car, what you want for it, and how to reach you. There is another Alfisti looking for your car now!**

Armando, the President of the SFAROC club has his 1988 Milano Verde for sale on eBay for \$7,800.00. Details and photos can be found using the following link.

<https://www.ebay.com/itm/233208546574>

Tony Laporta is selling his 1972 Berlina. It is race prepped and has a 1987 Alfa 75 TS 2 ltr. Photos are provided below. If you know of anyone that would be interested please have them contact me. I am asking \$5500. You can contact Tony at 419-680-0114.



## Cars for Sale continued:



Paul Ziegler has decided to sell his 2017 Giulia. The following are the particulars.

For Sale - 2017 Alfa Romeo Giulia Ti Sport. This gorgeous white over red Giulia includes the Harmon Kardon stereo and additional leather trim with red stitching. Car includes a performance exhaust that came from Madness Autoworks - cost \$1600.00. Original exhaust also comes with the car if you prefer to simply bolt it back on. Purchased April, 2017 and garage kept since. 15,700 carefully driven miles of which 4500 miles were trips to New York and Atlanta. This car is as clean a Giulia as you will find, cared for by an auto enthusiast. The exhaust tips even get cleaned every time it is driven!

A new Giulia is on order and if there was room in the garage the I would keep it. Experience the driving dynamics of this 280 HP sports sedan with 50/50 weight distribution and rear wheel drive. It's been called a 4 door Ferrari! It could be, as Ferrari engineers developed the chassis! And enjoy 35 MPG on the highway or get on it and experience a drive that harkens back to the day of the BMW 2002 that I owned. This car dances as it is light on its feet and a joy to drive. Car was just serviced and all service records are available. Call Paul at 727-744-4830 for an appointment. \$26,500. firm as clean retail is \$27,500.

Cars for Sale continued:





**Note from the Editor:** This is your newsletter so please give us feedback both as to how we are doing and areas where we can improve. It is free to list and sell you Alfa in the Notizia if you are an active member. Also remember if you are restoring a vintage Alfa either yourself or at a professional shop, we want to know about it and feature your journey and progress here for everyone to see.

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