

Sotto Veloce



THE CHICAGO ALFA ROMEO OWNER'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2013

Schedule change - Indoor Grand Prix Karting on Thursday, 4/18/2013 in place of regular meeting!

Starting at 6:30 PM - arrive 20 minutes early for registration/orientation

Melrose Park Grand Prix
2225 North Avenue
Melrose Park, IL 60160

Price: \$30



CAROC is planning an evening of indoor karting. This is an ideal opportunity to meet other drivers, have a fun, competitive day and tune up your driving skills for the summer season. Bring the whole family! We want more women in racing. Start the kids early - minimum age to drive is 13 and they must be 54 inches tall.

THIS EVENT IS SCHEDULED IN LIEU OF OUR MONTHLY CLUB MEETING.

We would recommend you arrive 20 minutes early (if possible) for registration and orientation. Make sure you are wearing closed toed shoes as you will not be allowed to race with sandals, high heels, flip flops, clogs or other any other incorrect footwear. Also make sure your guests are aware of any age, height, or weight restrictions as they may apply to your event. Please call 708-343-RACE (7223) with any questions prior to your arrival. Track management's decision in this regard is final.

A valid form of ID with picture may be required to race. You can contact the track directly with any concerns at 708-343-RACE (7223) or visit the website for additional information. www.mpgrandprix.com

During the summer & winter months and in an effort to keep the pricing aggressive, the track area may not be climate controlled, so please dress accordingly.

Note that our reservations and time slots are subject to cancellation should the entire group not be present to race up to 20 minutes after your scheduled event time, so please be prompt.

Please be aware that the track reserves the right to make adjustments on the number of racers per group, the frequency of your racing or any other event related activities based on the volume of business that day. Track management's decision in this regard is final.

Thanks go out to Wayne Seely for arranging this event for the club.

Momma Mia!

Well, dig out those string back gloves and get ready to drive! First, warm up with a spirited evening of indoor kart racing on April 18th. This is real wheel to wheel stuff, and these things are fast! There's a little bumpin and bangin, but lots of fun, and you get to see your times up on the board to see who the hotshoes are.

A little more sedate will be the Tour to New Glarus, with (mostly) good roads, good friends, and even some good beers! Join us for at least a day if you can't do the whole thing. It's pretty much an annual pilgrimage to an automotive Mecca once you've been here. Andiamo!

Roberto



FANGIO Tour 2008 - Alfas as far as the eye can see

Tour to New Glarus and beyond! May 3-5

Join us on a trip to Wisconsin, driving great roads with other Alfa enthusiasts. Leaving Friday afternoon, and getting back on Sunday afternoon, we'll be spending the first night in New Glarus, and attending the New Glarus Hillclimb put on by the Wisconsin AROC on Saturday morning. It's a fun run event for participants, and a rolling car show for spectators. Saturday afternoon we'll drive the backroads to Dodgeville, and dine in Mineral Point. Sunday morning is open, and you may choose to visit the House on the Rock or tour Frank Lloyd Wright's Taliesin, or explore Mineral Point's historic attractions. We'll head back in the afternoon, on beautiful backroads, so that we'll be home early.

You can choose to do the whole weekend, or just pick up part of it, according to your own schedule. We'll be leaving from the parking lot of The Black Cow restaurant in Mount Prospect (Golf Rd at Busse Road - where we had the last Banquet) at about 2:00 on Friday, May 3rd. Arriving in New Glarus in the early evening, there's time for dinner and a few Spotted Cows. You can stay at the Swiss Aire Motel or the Chalet Landhaus Inn. Up early for breakfast, there's car tech for the Hillclimb, which starts at 9:00. It's over at around noon. If you are not captivated by the action on the hill, and the procession of automotive beauty, you can choose to take in a tour of the New Glarus Brewery, which start at 10:00. There's time for lunch and then we'll head off for a circuitous drive to Dodgeville, which will take us to Spring Green and past Taliesin. We'll stop to check in at either the Don Q Hotel or the House on the Rock Lodge, and head down to Mineral Point for dinner. Sunday morning will be free if you want to enjoy any of the local sights - just be sure to make a reservation if you'd like to tour Taliesin or House on the Rock. We'll leave midday to return home, driving more backroads but with an expressway option for those who need to cut things shorter. Feel free to meet up with us, or depart, at any point. You can come up to New Glarus on Saturday morning, or leave for home on Saturday night, for example, and you'll just miss some of the driving segments.

If you are going to join us, here is what you have to do-

1. send a email to, or call, Robert Clauss with your expected plans as soon as you can, and by April 19th if possible, so that we know to expect you, and can estimate numbers for the hotels and restaurant (alfauno@wowway.com, 847-712-1040). Provide your cell phone #

2. make your hotel reservations:

New Glarus - Swiss Aire Motel (\$89-99) 608-527-2138, or Chalet Landhaus (\$99 and up) If the Landhaus is full, ask if there are any rooms in the Alfa Club block). Dodgeville - Don Q Inn (\$79) tell them you are with the Alfa Romeo club tour 608-935-2321, or House on the Rock Resort (\$152-AAA and AARP rates available) 608-588-7000.

3. make tour reservations asap

Taliesin highlights tour at 10:15 (2 hours) 608-588-7900
The House on the Rock, opens at 9 608-935-3639

Coming up.....

April 18

Kart racing at

Melrose Park Grand Prix 6:30 PM
see article for details

May 3

Overnight tour to New Glarus and onward. See article for details

May 16

Club meeting at:

Spuntino's

516 Higgins Rd

Park Ridge, IL

Come out and join us for food and conversation in a casual setting!

Meetings are on the third Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM

July 5

Blackhawk Farms Time Trials and Touring

Details available at the CAROC website. Put it on your calendar now! Invite your friends and family - all makes welcome at this event.

For the full calendar, a list of club officers, disclaimers, membership info, as well as tech info and photos, go to caroc.com



New Glarus Hillclimb 2012