

ALFA ROMEO OWNERS CLUB

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COTSWOLD SECTION NEWSLETTER



Autumn is really taking a grip and the brief Indian Summer has given plenty of opportunity to enjoy the open road. Our visit to Westonbirt should offer a stunning display of Autumn colour and the Acer Glade will be a must see. Next month's regular meeting will be a little different as we have a visit to Blade Alfa Romeo Dealership near Cheltenham. Christmas is a coming so don't forget to let us know if you'll be joining the festivities at the Three Ways House. - MB

Section Autumn Walk



Alfa Romeo Championship @ Silverstone

Our Autumn walk this year will be at **Westonbirt Arboretum on Sunday 31st October at 10.30am**. They have offered us a separate parking area so we can all park together and a reduced group rate of **£6** per person. You may want to bring a picnic if the weather is good or we can use the Bistro/Café if the weather is not so good :-)

We will gather in the Westonbirt parking area assigned to us at 10:30 am ready to head off into the woods.

For anyone wishing to convoy to Westonbirt please be in the Waitrose car park in Cirencester ready to go by 10am. Waitrose is at Sheep St, Cirencester, GL7 1SZ.

Please let us know if you are coming along as we need to confirm with Westonbirt that we have enough to qualify for the group rate.

- MG

Wednesday 17th November Section Meeting - 7pm to 9pm at Blade Alfa Cheltenham

We have been invited to Blade Alfa in Cheltenham for our November section meeting which will be Wednesday 17th November.

Bill Miles will be putting on some nibbles and will have some cars fuelled up ready for you to try out. So if you fancy a drive of a new Giulietta or a MiTo please join us. For those that have not been to Blades for a while they have moved a couple of hundred yards from their previous location along Princess Elizabeth Way. (Just behind the petrol station on the left as you are travelling from the Tewkesbury Road roundabout.)

They are now at Blade Alfa Romeo, Princess Elizabeth Way, Cheltenham Gloucestershire, GL51 7PA.

Blade have also donated a Mystery Prize for us to hold a raffle with, so if you are looking for an early Christmas Present you may be lucky :-). All proceeds from the raffle will go to the Lavender Trust.

If you want to drive one of the cars don't forget to bring your driving licence.

Please let us know if you intend to join us so Bill can have numbers for planning the nibbles. -MB



Steve Dymoke was racing at Silverstone recently in the Alfa Romeo Championship and was testing the error levels of grip of the 156.

As Steve captioned the shots :
Going, Going, Gone !

A lengthy job getting all the kitty litter out of the car afterwards.

Steve intends to campaign the 156 again next year and we'll publicise the race dates and perhaps attend a local circuit to offer some section support. - MB

Section Christmas Meal



Friday 3rd December - Section Christmas Meal

This year the Section Christmas meal will be held at the Three Ways Hotel Mickleton, the price for the meal is being subsidised by the section and works out at £28 per person. If you would like to join us please send either a £10 deposit or the full balance with your meal choices to;

Matthew Willmott,
10 Cypress Road,
Walton Cardiff,
Tewkesbury, Glos, GL20 7RB.
Any cheques, payable to
'AROC - Cotswold Section'.

We need a deposit of £10 per person by the 31st October to secure the booking and choices of meal 3 weeks before the event. Matt can be contacted on 01684 296163. - MB



Next Year.....

The planning process is already underway for next year's Cotswold Section events.

So if you have any ideas for events or visits you'd like us to look at for 2011, or any other comments or suggestions please let us know. - MB

Christmas Dinner Menu

**Butternut Squash and Sweet Potato Soup
Duck and Bean Sprout Spring Roll with a Sweet
Chilli Sauce**

**Pear, Crispy Bacon and Blue Cheese Salad
with a Light Mustard Dressing**

**Smoked Salmon and Dill Mousse with Pickled Cucumber
Avocado with a Red Pepper Mousse**



**Braised Blade of Herefordshire Beef with a Horseradish
Mash
and Red Wine Gravy**

**Roast Local Turkey with Chipolata, Chestnut Stuffing and
Cranberries**

**Grilled Fillets of Bibury Trout with a Beetroot and Orange
Salsa**

**Pot Roast Foxcote Estate Pheasant with Chestnut and
Bacon Sauce**

Chickpea Fritters with a Spicy Tomato Sauce



**Roast Potatoes, Brussels Sprouts,
Carrot and Swede and Roast Parsnips**

**Mocha and Hazelnut Terrine with a Cherry Syrup
The Pudding Club Christmas Pudding with Brandy Sauce
Crisp Meringue Nest with a Lemon Cream and Fresh Fruit
Pride of the Pudding Club Syrup Sponge Pudding served
with**

Lashings of Custard

A Selection of Local Cheese with Fruit

Tea or Coffee and Home-made Rum Chocolate Truffles



Cotswolders In print - Again !!!

Richard Morris's Bertie made an appearance in October's Classic Car Weekly. As if last month's magazine publications weren't enough, Classic & Sports Car December edition will feature a final centenary comparison test of eight Alfas. So again Richard Rees will feature in the Duetto and James Wheeler in his Giulia Super. - MB

