



## Alfa Roadrunner

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Newsletter

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### **WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Since our last communication I have been busy working on the motorhome hydronic heater, a Precision Temp, not Aqua Hot, where I had to remove the unit from the coach and remove and replace the water tank. This required removal of about half of the guts of the unit, drilling a few new holes in the cabinet to accommodate some modifications to the newer stainless steel tank. It also involved flushing and blowing out the lines and adding new antifreeze. Why did I do this, because I didn't properly winterize the unit after using the coach last winter? Cost, \$1,500! Ouch! Lesson learned; take the time to properly winterize the unit. I know, most of you are saying moving to Arizona is also a solution, but not for us right now. We love Colorado.

We have also been working on the 2017 AOC Rally to be held at the Rincon West RV Resort in Tucson, April 7-11, 2017. The registrations forms have been sent out and we have included a copy in this newsletter. They are also available on the Roadrunner web site. Chris and Barb are taking the lead on putting the Roadrunner Spring Rally together. The dates for the Spring Rally are tentatively set 2-5 April, 2017. Chris and Barb will be providing more details soon.

Becky and I also recently went back to Virginia to my mother's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. She had no idea we were coming, no idea that her granddaughter and her husband were coming down from New Jersey, and she had no idea we had secretly planned a dinner party with 35 of her closest friends. It was a wonderful weekend and it was great to see her enjoy herself so much.

A highlight of our travels this year was attending, along with eight other rigs, the Roadrunner rally at the Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta organized by Susan and Dale Prichard. What a wonderful event. More of you should consider joining us next year, as most of us are planning on attending again. It is hard to describe the feeling of seeing 550+ balloons launched and in the sky. Truly amazing!

We look forward to seeing all of you in Tucson in April. Travel safe.

Jim Godfrey

## **VICE PRESIDENT'S and SECRETARY MESSAGE**

We have been busy all summer traveling through the Pacific Northwest, exploring many of the beautiful National Parks located there. We then traversed the country from the far NW to the far SE where we currently are partying with about 5000 of our closest friends in Key West at the National Parrothead convention. We're glad we aren't the organizers of this event.

Planning has begun for the much more manageable Roadrunner pre-rally in April, and we (Chris & Barb) will be the wagon masters for the pre-rally. We have been working with Jim & Becky Godfrey, who are also organizing the AOC rally, to learn from their previous experience in rally organization. We will be back at our Texas base in a week or so and be working in earnest to organize another great pre-rally for you. As soon as details are nailed down, you'll be seeing communications from us about registration.

This time of year, many of us are returning from summer adventures to winter bases, and we wish everyone safe travels.

Chris Mooney and Barbara Leach

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## **TREASURER**

Greetings Roadrunners – I hope all our Roadrunner friends have enjoyed your adventures since the last newsletter. I miss each and every one of you, and cannot wait to catch up with you at the forthcoming AOC Rally. The Roadrunners have welcomed 5 new members since the previous Newsletter – Yeah!!! Membership currently stands at 147 Rigs. On a sad note, we lost 26 rigs due to non-renewal of their yearly dues. Current bank account balance is \$6,688.97 – the breakdown is \$5554.04 in savings, and \$1,134.93 in checking. Enjoy the thought of wealth now, as the AOC Rally and the Roadrunner Pre-rally is quickly approaching.

Please, please welcome our new members if you run across them in your journeys:

Hazel and Abdul Ahmad

Carroll and John Croes

Linda and Jack Grisham

Janice and Jerry Hyder

Donna and Daniel Thorn

Hope all our Roadrunners are enjoying their journeys, family, and friends. Wishing everyone the best of everything for the upcoming holiday season!!!!!!

Becky Godfrey

## **TECH TALK**

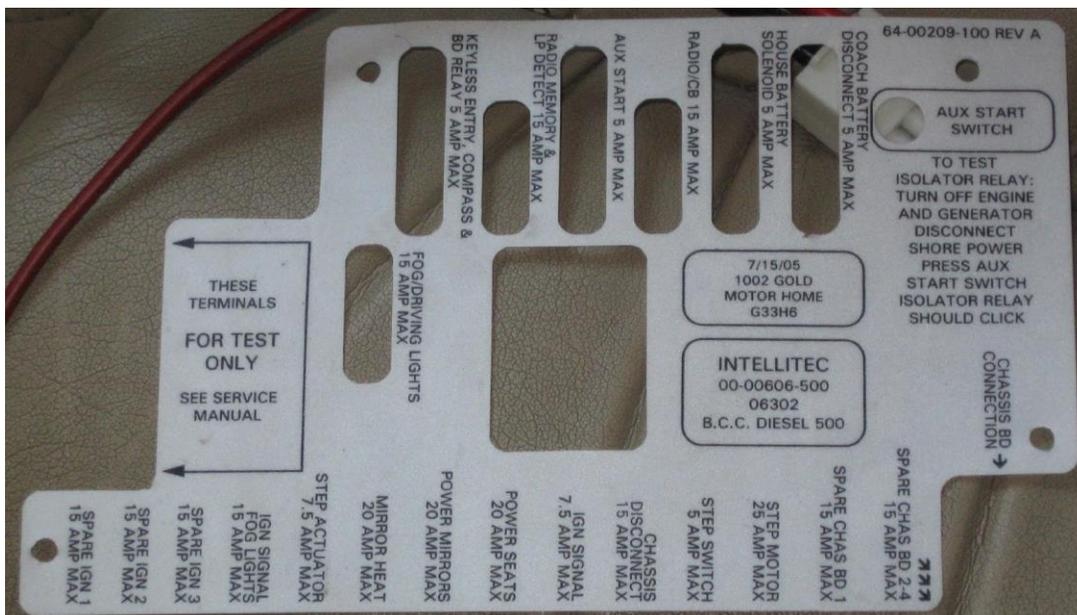
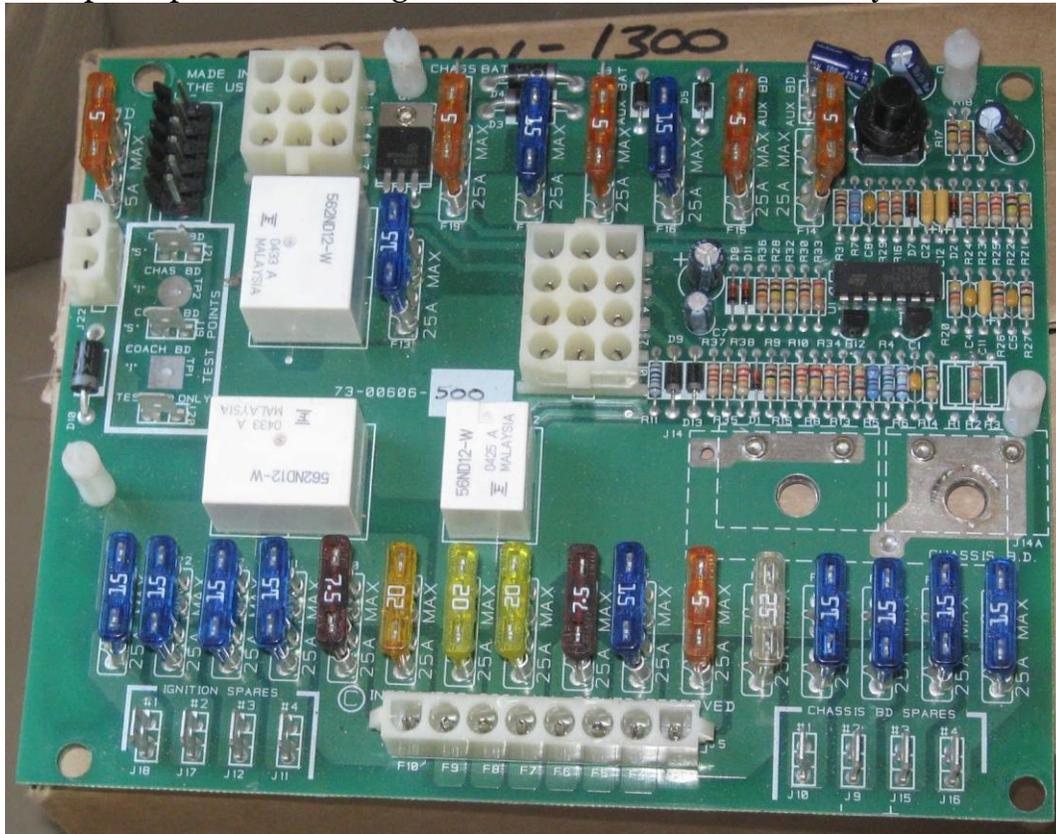
I just finished replacing the chassis battery disconnect relay in the BCC (battery control center) and thought it might be instructive to others to learn from the experience and see some images of the inside of the BCC.

First, if you can take some digital photos before and make some notes on what wires go where and you have a reasonable tool set, this job is within the capabilities of any competent DIY person.

The main reason I wanted to report on my efforts is to point out some loose connections that I found in the BCC that could haunt others. Checking and tightening the offending connections does not require taking anything apart except removing the lid off the BCC (and turning OFF both chassis and coach disconnects!). You will need a long hex (Allen) wrench, preferably a "T" handle hex wrench, size 3/16". The connections that I found loose were high current set-screw connections where the #2 cables enter the BCC. Image follows (the 2 on the right were VERY loose! the copper buss bar connecting the 2 GA incoming wire from the chassis battery to the BD relay was just flopping around when I removed the nut holding it on the relay; it was that loose!):



A couple of pictures showing the BCC circuit board and overlay:



For more information on the BCC and replacing the relays, please contact me.

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Dave Rypma

2006 Alfa SeeYa Gold #4078 VE3HTC/VE3DTR [alfa4078@gmail.com](mailto:alfa4078@gmail.com)

## **NEWS FROM OUR FELLOW ROADRUNNERS**

*Skip and Lexie Huffman*

We (Skip and Lexie Huffman) have broken with our regular itinerary and headed for some new territories this summer. Our first stop was a visit to fellow Alfa owners, Dave and Jane Petersen of Moses Lake, WA. They have a beautiful lakefront home with knockout views of the surrounding neighborhood. We'd never seen the Grand Coulee Dam, but got the tour from Jane and Dave. Very impressive!

Two days later, we were back on the road to Coeur d'Alene, ID. No wonder so many retired LA cops have chosen to call this home. We stayed at the Blackwell Island RV resort which sits at the confluence of the river and the lake. Truly breathtaking scenery. The park even has a dog beach where your favorite pooch can paddle his paws. We connected there with two Canadian friends and had a great time dining out at some super restaurants overlooking the lake.

Next stop - Missoula, MT. We found a small, but delightful RV park just north of I-90 called Jim and Mary's. They had flowers everywhere - just a beautiful spot. From there, we took our car to visit friends in Victor, MT. That trip took us through the Bitterroot Valley, famous for its fly fishing. The folks we visited there are our next door neighbors in the Yuma Foothills in wintertime.

Since then, Skip and I met up with our friends (and fellow Roadrunners), Kathleen and Patrick Bustamante at Flathead Lake, MT where we'll spend the next month exploring the Glacier National Park area together. Right now we're just south of Flathead Lake in Ronan, Mt at a cute, very small RV park called the Diamond S. No big amenities, just comfy and well kept.

That should keep us busy until we start south in September. To all our Alfa friends, don't forget that mid-November, we'll be back at our property in Yuma with an extra full hook-up for visitors. We'd love to see you.

*Deanna/Frank Jones*

Summer: we spent all summer close to family in KC area. I enjoyed doing things with my grandbaby girl when her parents made time for us to see her.

Fall travels so far: we left earlier this year. Late September we left & headed east towards Washington DC & the Coast. Due to Hurricane Mathew, we had to change directions north some in VA to wait it out. We found out that October is very busy due to the fall colors. And the hurricane made it even worse with people coming inland to Asheville, NC for example. We usually do not make reservations ahead so we know now that reservations is a good idea coming east. And keep in mind when fall colors are coming. Asheville was full. We found 1 day in forest & 2 in a private park but had to leave the weekend.

In the process of diverting, we came upon neat town called Abingdon, VA that was historic & for those able to ride a bike a lot there is a popular shuttle system from top of mountain 18 miles downhill. I am out of shape so rode only 3 miles & Frank rode 8 miles on level & elevated stretch. We also went to Lexington & did some historic tours.

We are currently in Dumfries, VA which is south of Washington, DC. Frank has never been to DC before. Limited choices to camp in DC area. Prices run about \$35-50+. Most CGs are 30 or more miles away. It takes us an hour on the Metro & hour driving so price of camp is lower. We have to drive 16 miles to the first Metrolink station. This was a learning task for us. We found people helpful in teaching us + how to get along in DC. Lot of walking so need to get in shape. So far we have seen the Native America Museum—food unique in café but we found the museum disappointing. We think this is because we have seen so many good museums in SW. We went to the Botanical Gardens & loved the beautiful orchids. The Gardens are small. We saw the Smithsonian Castle & then went to the American Natural History which was very good—liked the Ocean section & dinosaurs & mammal skeletons the best. We went to Arlington Cemetery. They have shuttle. We got off at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier but couldn't get back on. This was because of a special funeral for Chief of Police. Area was secured with a lot of police attending & for security. We were held until all police & others were let out of cars to attend. They we had to walk a certain way & didn't have access to trams & had to walk out to entrance. This wore me out. We still plan to see the Nat. Art Gallery & maybe the Air & Space Gallery before we leave town.

We are heading to Virginia Beach since we have heard the Hurricane area has been cleaned up. The beach may still be a mess. We will head south for the winter but have no definite plans. We will miss our ALFA Quartzite friends this winter since we are seeing the East.

### *Terry and Karla Noble*

We participated in the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta as volunteer shuttle drivers along with 8 other Alfas. This was set up by Susan and Dale Prichard and Susan has volunteered to do the same next year. We both had a wonderful time and would recommend anyone looking for a fun week or so to sign up to help out next year. The folks at the Fiesta definitely treat their volunteers' right and that adds to the experience.

### *Val Nelsen & Joe Hughes*

Val and I just finished our Alaska trip. We started north after the Alfa Rally in Yuma, AZ in April. We logged 10,200 miles, spent 169 nights in 51 different campgrounds at a cost of \$4688.93, and purchased \$3599.33 of Diesel fuel.

We visited Dawson City in the Yukon, drove the Top of the World Highway, Tok, Fairbanks, Tanana, Denali, Anchorage, Soldotna, Homer, Whittier, Valdez, and many, many other areas.

Had a wonderful lunch and great conversation in Tok at Fast Eddies with Dorothy and Jim Collard. Met lots of interesting people from all over the world. We certainly made memories to last a lifetime.

The roads were as bad as you hear about. It was a particular bad year for frost heaves. The highway repair season is short and they have some very aggressive repair projects. We got used to waiting for "Pilot Cars" to lead us through construction areas.

On the return trip we stopped at Leisure Coachworks, in Fontana, to put the Wee Cottage back in shape. As usual they had all repairs made during our week stay.

If anyone is interested in more detail please do not hesitate to ask. If there is enough interest it might be a good idea to have an Alaskan Trip Question and Answer at our next Rally in Tucson. I am sure many would be willing to share their experience.

*Abdul and Hazel Ahmad  
Misty and Mia Ahmad our dogs  
New Owners of Pretty Painted Lady 2003*

We joined through Friends who we met that are members of your group. We found everyone to be fantastic and welcoming to us. Met Ray and Lori Zimmerman at a rally in Palm Springs after purchasing a 2004 Alfa SeeYa in September 2014. Sadly it burned to the ground on August 17th 2016 on our first major trip to Oregon. Something good comes out of a bad THEY say. And for us it did.

We purchased Dale and Susan Pritchard's 2003 Alfa and went to New Mexico to the Balloon Festival to collect it. Met a great couple in the Pritchard's who had extended such kindness to us without even knowing us. It's just how they are amazing people who we will have a life long bond with. We hope they feel the same lol after asking a ton of questions about the coach.

The folks at the festival rally were amazing people, had a blast and hope to see each and every one again. Anyway we had a great time which was badly needed. Thanks to you all for your friendship and kindness.

*Bob and Denise Gray*

We have had a busy summer traveling the east coast. We visited Vermont staying with friends, then attending the Escapade. We relaxed a bit in southern New Hampshire, before moving on to Maine where we visited Acadia NP. We ate lots and lots of wonderful lobster! We continued to travel south, visiting the Boston area. What a beautiful city with so much history! We walked the entire Boston trail, visiting all of the historic sites. We even took a tall ship cruise in Boston Harbor.

We spent Labor Day in Hershey PA, then continued south to visit friends in Virginia and Maryland. We really enjoyed chowing down on Southern Maryland blue crabs, a

treat we have missed since going full time! Denise was even able to have lunch with her Nursing School classmates in Colonial Heights VA!

We continued our travels south to Charleston SC, another beautiful, historic city! Finally we entered into Florida, where we are spending the winter. Our first stop was in Jacksonville, where there is not a lot to see. We moved to St. Augustine, just in time to self-evacuate, to get out of the way of Hurricane Mathew. Once Mathew left the area, we returned east to visit Orlando, re-enacting our childhoods, visiting Epcot, Disney Hollywood Studios, and the Magic Kingdom. All of which have changed since our last visit, and are terribly expensive! We were able to spend time with more of our longtime friends in the area, including more friends from Denise's nursing school days. We moved southeast to visit more friends in the Sebastian area, before traveling farther south to the Miami area. Bob had another cardiac issue, so he ended up in Kendall Regional Medical Center. We hope you never have to visit this hospital. Luckily, he got out alive! We moved further south into the Keys where we will be spending the month of November.

We had dinner with Chris Mooney and Barbara Leach who stopped in to visit on their way from Key West. We had a nice dinner at a restaurant on Big Pine Key.



We are continuing through Florida for the winter and we are still planning to be at the pre-rally and AOC in April!

*John & Myrna Filipczak-#2408*

Myrna and I had a very eventful summer after leaving Apache Jct., AZ on Wednesday, May 11, 2016. We had to make our decision which highways we would be taking. Once again, our southern route through El Paso, TX and points east were having a lots of

rain. We decided that to arrive at our destination, Lancaster, PA, for the Memorial Day weekend required us to avoid any storms and possible delays. We're heading north to Holbrook, AZ and taking I-40 east.

We enjoyed supper in Holbrook, AZ at our favorite Mexican Restaurant **Rosa's**...their food is excellent with generous portions. After stuffing myself, we continue driving to Gallup, NM. Carefully checking the weather forecasts we were pleased that they were all in our favor to continue traveling east on I-40. This is the first time that we had ever traveled east of Oklahoma City, OK on I-40. We continued east on I-40 and up to Franklin, TN. Myrna's cousin lives in Franklin we decided to have lunch with her and her son. Myrna and I haven't seen Lorine in about 4 years when she was visiting her friends in Scottsdale, AZ.

We stayed overnight and left the next afternoon for Hendersonville, KY and the John James Audubon County Park. We stayed in this Park in February of 2005 and decided that is served our purpose on this trip. My brother lives in Evansville, IN...15-minute drive from this Park. We had a great visit with my brother and sister-in-law. Myrna and I stood up for their wedding 11 years ago...again, on our first trip with our Alfa.

We left Henderson/Evansville area with a mission to get to Gettysburg, PA and end up in Lancaster, PA. Our granddaughter is graduating from high school and we wanted to be there. We enjoyed being with our family and stayed over the Memorial Day weekend and left Lancaster on June 1<sup>st</sup> for DuBois, PA. From DuBois, PA we drove to Goshen, IN for the FMCA Glamm Rally. I enjoy playing with the Maestros at these Rallies.

June 10<sup>th</sup>, we left Goshen, IN and were headed for Sheboygan, Green Bay, Wausau, Stevens Point and Rice Lake, WI. Our final destination was my daughters home in Corcoran, MN, west of Minneapolis. The Alfa landed in Corcoran on 19 June and we stayed there until 27 June. On Monday, 27 June, we drove to our normal place to camp, Lake Elmo Park Reserve Campground.

We stayed at Lake Elmo until 9 July when we departed and drove down to the Amana Colonies in Amana, IA for the Midwest Rally. We returned to Lake Elmo on the 18<sup>th</sup> of July and stayed there until 10 August. We drove to Hinckley, MN and ended up in Duluth, MN until August 16<sup>th</sup>...then back down to Hinckley until the 19<sup>th</sup> when we drove over to our hometown, City of Amery Park for the weekend.

Our journey west started on 8 September, 5 days earlier than planned. Leaving early was a good omen for us...we didn't have to push ourselves driving to be someplace on a given day. Myrna and I took our time driving and drove to Brighton, CO and visited another daughter and her significant other. We left Brighton and drove to Farmington, NM for the Rocky Mountain Ramble. That was our first time attending this Rally and we will return next year...great friends and awesome musicians.

After Farmington, we drove north to Mancos, CO and spent one entire day exploring the Mesa Verde National Park. Beautiful scenery all throughout the Park. We drove

west to the Monument Valley Navajo Park. There we drove around for two days enjoying all the different 'Monuments'. Another beautiful Park...

From Monument Valley we drove down to Flagstaff and stayed overnight. I wanted a make sure that we had 50 amp service because the morning temps were going to be in the high 20's...so we didn't even hook up the sewer or water that night. When we got up Tuesday morning the outside temperature was 28 degrees...I was glad that we took the easy way out. I called a high school friend of mine that lives in Camp Verde off of I-17. We met for an early lunch, said our 'Good Byes' and started our trip down to the VOS...It was another beautiful day and our home made it down the mountains without any problems. We arrived back home in Apache Jct.; AZ about 4 pm. backed the coach into our site, leveled, plugged the power in and hooked up the water. That was enough for the day.

We had decided to drive over to 'Fat Mans Pizza' for supper. After supper we went back home and that was kind of the end of our journey...from Apache Jct., AZ to Lancaster, PA and back to AJ...7500 miles this year.

## **AIBF VOLUNTEER RALLY, SEPT. 28 OR 29 – OCT 9 OR 10<sup>TH</sup>**

*From Susan Prichard:*

8 Alfas meet on Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> at Enchanted Trails Rv just west of Albuquerque. We all lined up early the next morning with our toads detached and caravanned into the Fiesta Standard Campground, just south of Balloon Park. Our arrival and parking went off without a hitch and very quickly we were all lined up in a row looking quite smart...Our ninth rig joined us on Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>. In all, we had 13 volunteers and I would estimate that we put in approximately 600 volunteer hours over 9 days. Most of us drove golf carts and shuttled Fiesta guests from parking areas to the field and back or around the balloon field. In addition we had volunteers working in the Navigator tent (volunteer relief station) and the Sid Cutter Pavilion (where pilots and crew met) and in the propane filling area (where balloonists refueled). But wait, that's not all we did – we gathered daily for social time – potlucks and friendship. Most of our group did not know one another prior to our rally, but are now fast friends and continue to share their friendships and time beyond our event. We, of course, spent time helping one another "fix" stuff on our rigs. The Balloon Fiesta is amazing. We all had wonderful opportunities to see the sky full of colorful balloons for 9 days. The weather cooperated for the most part and both the day and evening events were beyond our expectations. Several of us also had the opportunity to experience assisting a balloonist as part of his/her crew both on and off the field – another fun experience. I will never forget the sound of the burners igniting and sending hot air into the envelope/balloon as I stood near it, to feel the warmth and experience the lift off inches from me. We concluded our rally with a last evening potluck with 16 folks inside our rv (due to bad weather in the area) by discussing the good and bad of the event, what we had learned and concluding that most of us would definitely return and would definitely volunteer

again. **So.....let's do it again next year** – consider joining us as we once again plan a Fall Rally at the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta (AIBF). Dates will be Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> – Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017. There are approximately 40 areas where you can volunteer. Volunteer registration does not open until May, 2017, however, I will begin coordinating with an Event Coordinator and with the RV Parking Specialist in the next few months. We will be dry camping (don't worry, we will help you with tips to make this work) and volunteering as Navigators. Volunteers receive free admission, perks including special meals, a Navigator tent (where hot coffee and snacks are always available), may earn discounted RV parking and Fiesta wear and more. At least one person from each coach must to agree to volunteer a minimum of 3 shifts during the Fiesta to enter as a Navigator/volunteer. If you would like to attend, but cannot volunteer, let us know when you are in the area and drop by for some social time with us. I will communicate information as it becomes available throughout the year to those on my list. For more information or to add your names to a list of interested attendees, send me – Susan Prichard and e-mail at [rvgrandma01@gmail.com](mailto:rvgrandma01@gmail.com).

## **FOR SALE**

Original Owners selling 2005 Alfa See Ya #573635

Full body paint, excellent condition, 63,723 miles, many upgrades, many spares, all maintenance records. Stored inside. Available now. For more information contact:

Jeff and Diane Horvath 775-764-7204 (call or text)

[jeffandiane@hotmail.com](mailto:jeffandiane@hotmail.com)





## **2017- QUARTZSITE**

*From MaryAnne Balzer:*

### **It's Time for the Quartzsite Rally!!**

You are cordially invited to attend:

WHO: Open to Alfa owner coaches AND other brand coaches

WHAT: A casual, boondock in the desert, fun-filled 10-day rally

WHEN: Arrive January 20, Depart January 29 or in-between as you can

WHERE: BLM, La Posa North, just south of Quartzsite on Hwy 93

HOW: Hosted by Wagon Masters MaryAnne and Ray Balzer; and Assistants Leigh and John Gushea, and Sharon and Sven Novion.

WHY: Fun and camaraderie in the desert, and of course the great Quartzsite RV show!

Please join your Alfa family for this year's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Roadrunner club! We are looking forward to fun times as we gather with new and long-time members and other friends.

Look forward to spirited fun and games and side trips!  
Look forward to incredible desert sunrises and amazing sunsets!  
Look forward to renewing and revitalizing Alfa friendships!  
Look forward to shopping the greatest one-stop RV shopping event!  
Look forward to educational and informative member led seminars!  
Look forward to fun prizes and awards, and Anniversary cake!  
Look forward to our mystery Sheriff. Remember to bring quarters!  
Look forward to shared meals, potlucks and special foodie events!

**PLEASE** RSVP your attendance by New Year's Eve 12/31/16!!! Email MaryAnne Balzer: [balzerfreespirit@gmail.com](mailto:balzerfreespirit@gmail.com)

Be sure to attend this terrific winter event! Check the Alfa website at: [www.alfaroadrunners.net](http://www.alfaroadrunners.net) for updated information. If you have any questions feel free to call or text MaryAnne Balzer at 303-589-5729.

A special rally flier sheet is attached at the end of the newsletter. It contains important information on how to register as well as preparation for the event. Please save it for your reference.

And, **PLEASE** remember to RSVP your attendance by New Year's Eve, 12/31/16 as your Wagon Masters must plan and shop for the rally.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you in Quartzsite!

## **INTERESTED IN BAHA MEXICO?**

*From Kathy Hewlett:*

Roger and I are thinking about driving our motorhome down the Baja next winter (2017) and would like to hear from other Roadrunners who have taken the trip or are interested in going with us. We would love to "talk" to friends who have made the trip and hear the pros and cons. We are wondering about safety, gas, campgrounds, language barriers, food etc. We have another couple, not Alfa owners, who are full

timers that would like to go with us and we would welcome others to travel with us. You can contact us via email or phone:

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Kathy Hewlett – [Kathy.hewlett@gmail.com](mailto:Kathy.hewlett@gmail.com) 210-884-1245

## **GET-TOGETHERS**

### **Mesa AZ MOAB (Mesa Owners Alfa Breakfast)**

The dates are:

10 December 2016

14 January 2017

11 February 2017

11 March 2017

8 April 2017

Breakfast starts at 8:30 am at the Golden Corral, 1868 N. Power Rd., Mesa, AZ – 85205. Their phone number is: 480-985-6793. Call John: 612-965-5762 or

Email: [johntsr641@gmail.com](mailto:johntsr641@gmail.com)

### **Phoenix Westside Alfa Group**

The third Wednesday of each month all year, 8:30 AM at Trivoli Gardens. Located at 12535 W Bell Rd, Surprise, AZ 85374. Contact Linda Rees 623-236-4061. Or [lindar@outdrs.net](mailto:lindar@outdrs.net)

### **Yuma, AZ**

The Yuma Alfa Owners Breakfast is the second Monday of the month, November through April. All Alfa owners, past owners, and want-to-be's are invited. It's a great time to meet and greet, catch up on the goings on, and discuss the care and feeding of Alfa MH's and Fifth-wheels.

The Yuma Alfa breakfasts are held at the Copper Miner Restaurant (formerly Mi Fajita Restaurant), 11375 Foothills Blvd., Yuma, AZ. (The restaurant is under new ownership and management. They offer the breakfast special that a lot of folks like.)

If you're in the area we hope you'll join us for the breakfast. If you have questions or need directions please give us a call. And please pass the word.

Mel and Judi Kirkland

'03 SeeYa 40', towing '15 Caddy SRX [928-342-7374](tel:928-342-7374)

## **Alfa Roadrunners 2017 Quartzsite AZ Rally!!**

Arrival Date: 01/20/17      Departure Date: 01/29/17



**WHERE:** LaPosa North BLM, just South of QZ on Hwy 93, East side. Sign in at the host station. Fee is \$40 for 2 weeks dry camping. (Note: Water & Dump Stations are located to the South, off Hwy 93, inside the LaPosa South BLM.) After taking care of business, follow the Alfa Roadrunner signs about 2 miles to the campsite location. As you arrive, please stop & wait for our Parking Marshall to assist you with sites & parking.

**SCHEDULE:** You will be handed a 'soft' schedule with the welcome material when you check in with the Wagon Masters & pay the **\$18** each person rally fee (cash only please, any extra will be refunded at the end of the rally). The 1st night the Wagon Masters & Assistants will provide a deli night dinner with sides & fixins'. We will also hold a first rally meeting around dinner time for introductions, ideas & rally planning.

**WHAT TO BRING:** (This is only the basic supply list for the rally. Very early in January we will send those attending meal planning & grocery information.) Please bring:

- \_\_\_\_\_ EMPTY black & gray tanks ('honey wagon' available in QZ, but spendy)
- \_\_\_\_\_ FULL water, diesel & propane (all available locally)
- \_\_\_\_\_ FIREWOOD, at least two+ bundles (sometimes for purchase in QZ)
- \_\_\_\_\_ BOTTLED WATER, 2-3 gallon bottles for Hosts clean-up & campfire needs
- \_\_\_\_\_ YOUR OWN tableware such as cups, plates & utensils

**PLEASE RSVP TO WAGON MASTERS RAY & MARYANNE BALZER NO LATER THAN NEW YEAR'S EVE, 12/31/16, AND USE 'QZ RSVP' IN THE SUBJECT LINE. [balzerfreespirit@gmail.com](mailto:balzerfreespirit@gmail.com) Please include the number of attendees in your party by name, & your phone number. Please indicate if it is phone only or if you also TEXT. Also let us know about special dietary needs. We will try to oblige.**

Alfa Owners' Club Annual Rally

April 6– April 12, 2017

Rincon Country West RV Resort Rally Masters: 4555 S. Mission Rd. Andy and Brenda Bober Tucson, AZ 85746-2301 9918 N Blue Crossing Way Toll Free 800-782-7275 Tucson, AZ 85743 Phone 520-294-5608 Home Phone: 520-572-5666 www.RinconCountry.com Cell Phone: 520-444-0907 Email:porchnut@hotmail.com

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Partner: \_\_\_\_\_

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Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Special diet/meal restrictions: Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_ Gluten Free \_\_\_\_\_ Other (please list) \_\_\_\_\_ Type & Size Alfa: 5th Wheel: \_\_\_\_\_ Motor Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Length of Rig: \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap: \_\_\_\_\_ Are you traveling with pets? \_\_\_\_\_ First Timer at Alfa Owners' National Rally: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee: (2 people per unit) \$165.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (1 person per unit) \$120.00 Park Fee: 6 nights (includes tax) \$ 228.00 \*Non-Chapter Member Fee: \$25.00 per rig \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Extra People: \$80.00 ea. X \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Extra 2017 Rally Patches: \$5.00 each X \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_

There will be NO shortened stay or reduced fee on Rally Registration Form. If you wish to arrive early or depart late, the Rally rate of \$38.00 per night applies to all days before and all days after the Rally as long as the dates are attached to the rally dates. You must make all extended dates and arrangements directly with the Rincon Country West RV Resort. The Alfa Owners' Club Annual Rally is a Social Event hosted by the Alfa Owners' Club. Attendees must be staying at the Resort in an Alfa RV.

\*Non-Chapter Member Fee will be refunded by Rally Wagon Master if you join an Alfa Owners Club Chapter before or during the rally.

Please send your check for the total due, payable to "Andrew Bober", with the completed registration form to: Andrew Bober, 9918 N Blue Crossing Way, Tucson, AZ 85743. You will receive an email confirmation with additional rally information.

**RALLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** Checks and Registration forms must be received no later than: February 1, 2017